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Council Set To Pass New Town Budget

by Stuart Parker
Advertiser News Political Writer

The town's \$24,248,000 budget, up 6% from last year, appears ready for passage when Town Council meets Monday night, May 20th, for the adoption of the budget.

Town Council President Donald Rheault commented following the council's budget review meeting last Monday night, "This is one of the leanest, most well-prepared budgets I've ever seen."

During its tentative review, the council deleted \$3,240 from the budget total.

Limited Funds An Ongoing Concern

Town Manager Katherine Pisano said in her budget message to the town, "Limited funds will be an ongoing concern to the town for the foreseeable future. Therefore, the town must eliminate positions that are not needed to ensure the primary needs of the town are met."

The budget has eliminated or reduced the capacity of clerical help in the offices of town clerk, collector town accountant, town assessor, and public library.

Mrs. Pisano told councilors during the review, "Cutting personnel is not an easy decision, but must be balanced against other services the town would lose were the personnel to remain."

The manager and council budget subcommittee chairman noted further personnel cuts would be likely for next year's budget once the new town computer is brought on line.

Councilors Paul Trimboli and Neil Blatt noted they were informed by Town Assessor Roy Bishop that the new computer would free enough of his time for his department to eliminate two part-time appraisal positions presently costing a total of \$17,000.

Mrs. Pisano said she anticipates savings of \$20,000 by combining the department head responsibilities of the Park & Recreation Department and Building Maintenance Department.

Present Park & Recreation Director Jack Kunasek is to absorb the responsibilities of building maintenance upon the retirement of buildings supervisor Julian "Lou" Miodowski this summer.

Responding to council questions over the merger of duties, Mrs. Pisano commented, "I have no reservations over Mr. Kunasek's administrative abilities, which I believe will allow him to handle both departments."

The \$141,000 cut from this year's \$9,170,000 school budget received scant criticism from council members.

Councilor Nelsen Criticizes Cut

Councilor Dorothy Nelsen criticized the cut, commenting, "The town has taken state chapter 70 money intended for use in education, and is using it to subsidize the town budget."

"I would hate to see fewer teachers in the classroom, or further loss of educational materials, when too many students are graduating without the skills they need," Mrs. Nelsen concluded.

A majority of councilors discussing the issue expressed support for the cut, noting \$3,000,000 of school related expenses were funded through the town side of the budget, and questioned whether per pupil cost comparisons accurately reflected these funds.

Community Grange Reaches 60th



FOR MANY YEARS, FLORENCE BLISH (left) and ELISE BRADWAY (right) have been instrumental in the success of the Feeding Hills Grange. The two women, who are sisters, were recently presented "Golden Sheaf" awards by State Community Grange official Kenneth Skinner at the Feeding Hills Grange's 60th Anniversary celebration. SEE RELATED STORY AND PICTURES ON PAGE 16. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Memorial Day Observances In Town

The Agawam Memorial Day Committee is pleased to announce the schedule of events planned for Agawam's annual observance of Memorial Day.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, May 26th, at the Bethany Assembly of God Church, 580 Main Street, Agawam.

Members of the V.F.W. Post 1632, American Legion Post 185, and the D.A.V. Chapter 55, will be present in uniform. All are welcome to join in paying tribute to our beloved war dead, and to visit this lovely new church.

Memorial services are planned on Monday, May 27th, at J. J. Brady Village at 8:30 a.m., and at the Agawam Center and Springfield Street Cemeteries at 9:00 a.m. Members of local service organizations will conduct these services.

The annual parade will begin at 10:45 a.m. from the World War I Memorial on Springfield Street, directly in front of the American Legion Post 185.

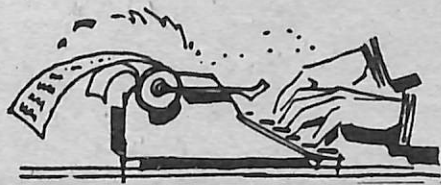
The march will be routed down Springfield Street to the speakers' platform in front of Food Mart.

Ceremonies will include tribute to local war dead, with an invocation by Rev. Berkey of Bethany Assembly of God; announcement of winners of Poster & Essay Contest sponsored by the town's service organizations; and this year the committee is very fortunate to have as guest speaker, Brigadier General Jack Ferguson, Wing Commander of the 439 Tactical Air Left Wing (Air Force Reserve) Westover Air Force Base.

Important Notice!!!!

We ask our readers to please take time to read our special notice about home delivery of the Annual Town Report Edition next week, that appears on Page 36.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Catholic Women's Club Thanks AAN

To The Editor:

On behalf of the Catholic Women's Club of Agawam, let me express our sincere thanks for the excellent coverage you have given us on our monthly meetings, as well as our fundraising events.

We also want to thank you and your reporter, Dorine Kubik, for the feature article which covered so much of the club's past history.

We really appreciate your willingness to help.

Sincerely,

Penny DeForge

Publicity Chairperson

Catholic Women's Club of Agawam

Rep. Walsh To Speak
At Hill Towns' Mem. Services

Representative Michael P. Walsh, Third Hampden District, announced that he has been invited to be the featured speaker in the Memorial Day services in the towns of Chester, Montgomery, and Russell.

The Chester parade begins at 10:00 a.m., followed by Montgomery at 12:30 p.m., and Russell at 3:00 p.m.

Walsh stated, "I am delighted and honored to take part in the Memorial Day observances in these towns. They have been kind enough to invite me for the past three years and this year I was happy to accept."

Walsh continued, "Unfortunately, this schedule forces me to miss the Agawam parade to which I was also generously invited. I want to thank the Agawam Veteran's Committee for their kind invitation. I have always enjoyed the Agawam parade and I look forward to hopefully participating next year."

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Fire Dept. Issues Reminder
About Emergency Vehicles

The Agawam Fire Department reminds motorists that the law requires they pull to the right-hand curb to allow emergency vehicles to pass. Failure to do so can cause serious accidents or delays in arriving at the scene of an emergency.

When you hear sirens or see red lights, pull to the right side of the road and stop. If you are already stopped at an intersection, move to the right if possible. If you cannot move right, move in any direction that will allow the emergency vehicle through. Look first before moving. If there is no place to move, sit tight.

If you are a pedestrian and hear sirens, stay on the curb. Do not step into the street, even after the emergency vehicle has passed. There may be more following at a distance. Keep children close to you. They may try to dart out to see the fire truck or ambulance.

All The Hometown News Each Week...

LEGAL NOTICE

AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION
The Agawam Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Thursday, May 23rd, 1985, at 7:45 p.m., in the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA. This hearing, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws 131, Section 40, is called to act upon the petition of A.M.Y. Development Corp., to perform work on 658 South West Street, Feeding Hills, MA.

Henry A. Kozloski, Chairman
Published: May 16th, 1985

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Henry Kozloski, Chairman
Agawam Conservation Commission
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MUNICIPAL EVENTS
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**Monday, May 20th
Town Council Meeting
Agawam Public Library
8:00 P.M.**

**Monday, May 27th
Memorial Day Parade
To Food Mart Plaza
In The Morning**

**Monday, May 27th
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**Tuesday, May 28th
School Committee Meeting
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**PROPOSED
ZONE CHANGE HEARING
TOWN OF AGAWAM
IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY FIVE
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF AGAWAM AS FOLLOWS:

The zoning ordinance passed and approved on December 21, 1972, to take effect on January 1, 1973, entitled "Zoning" is hereby amended by changing from Agriculture to Industrial A for land located off Suffield Street, Agawam, Hampden County, Massachusetts bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point at the northeasterly corner of the parcel described, said point being 200.00 feet westerly of the westerly line of Suffield Street; thence running S21-08-00W (being parallel with and 200.00 feet west of Suffield Street) for a distance of 541.84 feet to a point; thence running S84-14-17W for a distance of 437.14 feet to a point; thence running N34-15-55E for a distance of 657.18 feet to a point; thence running N26-03-22E for a distance of 162.08 feet to a point (the last two courses being along the westerly side of the described parcel are intended to abut the existing Industrial A zoneline); thence running N46-40-00E for a distance of 36.15 feet to a point; thence running N54-35-00E for a distance of 27.85 feet to a point; thence running S37-50-00E for a distance of 228.40 feet to the point of beginning. The above described parcel contains 4.62 acres.

An ordinance now before the Town Council.

The Agawam Town Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 3, 1985 at 8:00 p.m. in the Agawam Public Library Community Room, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA on the above petitioned zone change of Thomas Russo, Jr.

U. Retzler
Town Council Clerk
Published: May 16th, 1985

LEGAL NOTICE

The Agawam Town Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 3, 1985 at 8:00 p.m. in the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA on a Class II Dealer License for Riverview Motors, 52/54/56 River Street, Agawam, MA.

Ursula Retzler
Clerk of the Council
Published: May 16th, 1985

LEGAL NOTICE

**TOWN OF AGAWAM
Board of Appeals**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at the Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, Wednesday, June 5, 1985 at 7:30 p.m. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of MASS. AUTO RECOVERY, INC. who is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 20, Paragraph 51 (c13) of the Zoning Ordinances to allow the storage and auction sale of damaged, burned and stolen recovered motor vehicles on a plot of land identified as REAR of 1224 SUFFIELD STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals
Theodore A. Progulski
Chairman
Published: May 16th, 1985

LEGAL NOTICE

AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

The Agawam Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, May 30, 1985, at 7:00 p.m., in the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA. This hearing will be to hear the petition of Edmond Drewnowski and Gregory W. Gomes to rezone 2.62 acres of land from Agricultural to Business A. The parcel is located at the corner of Suffield Street and Shoemaker Lane. Being further described and bounded as follows:

Being the premises known as "Parcel B" on a "Plan of Land Shoemaker Lane & Suffield Street, Agawam, Mass. for August & Angelo Bonomi" drawn by Smith Associates and recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds on October 17, 1979, in Book of Plans 187, Page 42, and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the southeasterly corner of Shoemaker Lane and Suffield Street and running thence N. 83°02'25"W. along said Shoemaker Lane a distance of three hundred eighty-five and 45/100 (385.45) feet to a point; thence running S. 74°32'01"W. one hundred thirty-two and 17/100 (132.17) feet to Parcel A; thence S. 23°23'44"E. along Parcel A on said Plan, a distance of two hundred one and 91/100 (201.91) feet at land of Western Massachusetts Electric Company; thence running S. 75°16'47"E. along land now or formerly of Western Massachusetts Electric Company, a distance of five hundred thirty-eight and 19/100 (538.19) feet to a point on Suffield Street; thence running N. 15°56'44"E. along Suffield Street, a distance of two hundred fifty and 00/100 (250.00) feet to the point of beginning.

Excepting from the above described parcel the following portion, which is already zoned business "A" and described as follows:

Beginning at the southeasterly corner of Shoemaker Lane and Suffield Street and running thence: N. 83°02'25"W. along said Shoemaker Lane a distance of two hundred and 00/100 (200.00) feet; thence running SOUTHEASTERLY along the easement granted to the Tennessee Gas Transmission Co.; about two hundred fifty (250) feet; thence running S. 75°16'47"E. along land now or formerly of Western Massachusetts Electric Company, a distance of two hundred and 00/100 (200.00) feet to Suffield Street; thence running N. 15°56'44"E. along said Suffield Street, a distance of two hundred fifty (250.00) feet to the point of beginning.

Being a portion of the premises described as Parcel II in a deed from Battista Bonomi to August Bonomi et al dated January 10, 1957, and recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book 2520, Page 426.

By order of the Agawam Planning Board
Charles R. Calabrese, Chairman
Published: May 16th, 1985

Registry Of Deeds

Total documents for week ending May 3rd, 1985

| REGISTRY | LAND REGISTRATION |
|---------------|-------------------|
| Deeds | 18 |
| Mortgages | 20 |
| Discharges | 10 |
| Foreclosures | 0 |
| Attachments | 0 |
| Miscellaneous | 34 |
| Total | 82 |

Submitted by Donald E. Ashe, Register of Deeds

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The Agawam Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Thursday, May 30, 1985, in the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, at 7:30 p.m. This hearing is held to hear the petition of Richard S. Thomas to rezone approximately 12.105 acres of land located southerly of and adjacent to Orlando Street from Business B to Residence B. Being further bounded and described as follows:

Location: Southerly of and adjacent to Orlando Street
Beginning at a point at the northwest corner of the property herein described; thence running S78-08-40E passing through the southerly terminus of Orlando Street for a distance of 789.88 feet to a point; thence running N8-42-20E for a distance of 68.25 feet to a point; thence running S81-23-36E for a distance of 263.37 feet to a point; thence running S11-11-20W for a distance of 558.94 feet to a point at the southeast corner of the property herein described; thence running N79-23-40W for a distance of 798.00 feet to a point; thence running N78-45-00W for a distance of 235.18 feet to a point; thence running N9-05-10E for a distance of 266.54 feet to a point; thence running N9-26-50E for a distance of 229.94 feet to the point of beginning. Said described parcel contains 12.105 acres.

By order of the Agawam Planning Board
Charles R. Calabrese, Chairman
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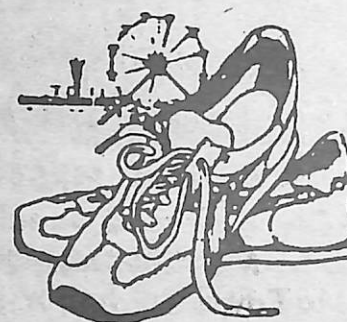
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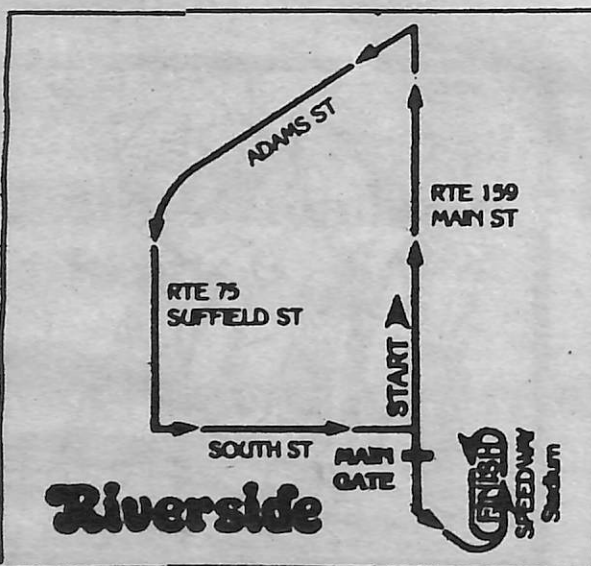
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First Baptist Church Honors 50-Year Members



THE AGAWAM FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Reverend Donald B. Morris, pastor, held a "50-Year Day" on Sunday, May 5th, to honor parishioners who have been with the church for 50 years or more. The moving ceremony concluded with several hymns. 50-year members are, back row, from left - Percival Hastings, Don Goss, and Jean Goss. Third row - John Magovern, Dorothy Magovern, Dorothy Major, Vivian Roberts, Dorothy Martin, Shirley Halbach, and Harold Wright. Second row - Leigh Catchepaugh, Doris Cathepaugh, and Barbara Briggs. Front row - Gladys Bordurtha, Aletha Hodge, Howard Bailey, Effie Bailey, and Eleanor Wright. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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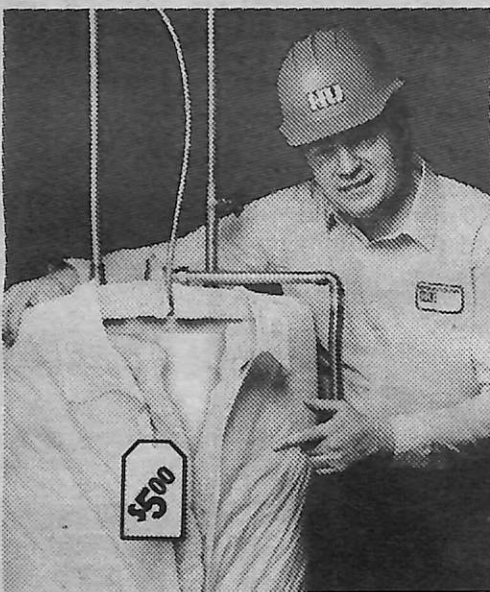
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St. John's Guild Gathers For Annual Banquet



PICTURED AT THE ST. JOHN GUILD'S annual banquet on Tuesday, May 7th are, from left - Edith Gilbertson, Father Gilbertson, Jeanne Parrow, Father Gallerani, and Sandra Jagodowski. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Community Grange To Hold Lost Children's Program

Community Grange invites all parents and relatives of children, as well as those involved with the education, recreation, and varied activities of children, to a meeting at the Agawam Library, Cooper Street, Tuesday evening, May 21st, at 6:30 p.m.

The Community Service Committee, Mrs. Gene Gallucci, chairwoman, has secured Diane McCausland, a representative of Friends of Child Find, to speak. The Grange believes that her program is most informative and beneficial for anyone caring for or working with children.

The program is not for children; a brief part of it deals with the exploitation and abuse encountered by some of the children. Ms. McCausland will include: how to prevent abductions; awareness of high risk children; how to help a lost child; and what to do if your child (student) is missing.

A question and answer period will follow the presentation.

This information is needed very much to keep Agawam free from lost children. We hope that you will attend. It is for everyone.

Catholic Women's Club Plans May 20th Banquet

The Catholic Women's Club of Agawam will hold its annual banquet and installation of officers on Monday evening, May 20th, at the Carriage House at Storowton Tavern. Cocktail hour will be from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., with dinner being served at 7:00 p.m.

Mrs. Charles Maniscalchi, chairperson, and Mrs. Ernest Bouley, co-chairperson of the Banquet Committee, are being assisted by Mrs. Stanley Ciempa, Mrs. Richard Conway, Mrs. John Glogowski, Mrs. William Hayes, Mrs. Alfred Hebert, Mrs. Arnold Jerry, Mrs. Stanely Lipski, Mrs. Peter Longo, Mrs. Edward Malachowski, Mrs. John Meagher, Mrs. David Moretti, Mrs. J. Paul Morin, Mrs. David Raiche, and Mrs. Robert Shoemaker.

Sandy Werbiskis Wins Pink Buick From Mary Kay

The brand new pink Buick Regal being driven through the streets of Agawam by Sandy Werbiskis is a unique "trophy on wheels," recently awarded her in recognition of her leadership and sales achievements with Mary Kay Cosmetics, Inc.

In a company that awards diamonds, minks, and exotic vacations to top achievers in the approximately 150,000-member sales force, Mary Kay's pink car is undoubtedly the most sought-after prize.



ST. JOHN'S GUILD officers, from left - Gloria Glouster, incoming treasurer; Charlotte Bodurtha, secretary; Jeanne Parrow, president; Barbara Schwein, retiring treasurer; and Sandra Jagodowski, vice president. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Garden Club Sponsors Annual Plant Sale

The annual plant sale sponsored by the Agawam Garden Club will take place on Saturday, May 18th, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, on the grounds of the Captain Charles Leonard House, Main Street, Agawam.

Perennials, annuals, geraniums, herbs, house plants, and cemetery pots will be for sale. Also, there will be a table featuring homebaked goods.

Further information may be obtained from Mrs. Frances Wurga, chairwoman of the event. Members are reminded to bring their donations of baked goods and plants, labeled and potted before 9:00 a.m.

The event will be held rain or shine, and all proceeds will benefit the scholarship fund.

Ms. Werbiskis, an independent sales director for the Dallas-based cosmetics firm, won the free use of the pink car by leading her sales unit to exceed specified sales levels during a six-month qualification period.

The coveted pink car is the ultimate symbol of success in Mary Kay since, out of 4,500 sales directors, there are only 750 pink Buick Regals on the road.

Ms. Werbiskis joined Mary Kay Cosmetics in February 1976, earning her sales director position in July 1981.

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Beer & Pizza Party Planned To Benefit Scleroderma

On Wednesday, May 22nd, a beer and pizza party is to take place at the Dante Club on Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$3.99 per person and women and children are invited. This event is to raise funds for Scleroderma research.

The noted group called "Gubby and Friends for Scleroderma Research" have worked on this project since 1973, when Ruth Borgatti of Agawam succumbed to this disease. This group is known nationwide for their fine and hard work. They have received many letters from people throughout the country who are afflicted with this disease, to praise and commend them for their compassion. The group consists of Tom and Adrienne Frasco, Walter Miller, Joseph Zecchi, Tony Vedouelle, Tom Fiorini, Paul Maraca, Marilyn Duclos, Ella Ruby, Ann Marie Doyle, Lous and Vic Menard, Gubby Borgatti and Bill and Duncan.

Tickets will be limited to the first 200 people. **No tickets will be sold at the door.** "We had to limit the tickets," says Gubby, "because the last party was overcrowded and people waited too long to be served."

This party has a motto which says, "All you can eat and drink from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Buy your tickets early. The group needs a count by May 18th."

Scleroderma is a connective tissue disease that strikes mostly women in their middle ages. Up to now, scientists throughout the world are looking for the cause of this disease. Some progress has been made. Scientists will continue to work until the cause and cure are found. Hopefully, they will succeed.

At the annual meeting in New Castle, Pennsylvania, researchers have taken blood samples from 20 people with Scleroderma, and have found that some blood cells are deficient in their capacity to work against other diseased cells. This could be a slight breakthrough.

Gubby and friends are planning two more fundraisers; on July 31st, a chicken barbeque; and on September 8th, an Italian Open Golf Tournament.

A concerned friend who knew Ruth has donated many old magazines, including about 150 issues of *National Geographic* and many hardcover books. These are all for sale. For further information, call 786-2834, any morning.

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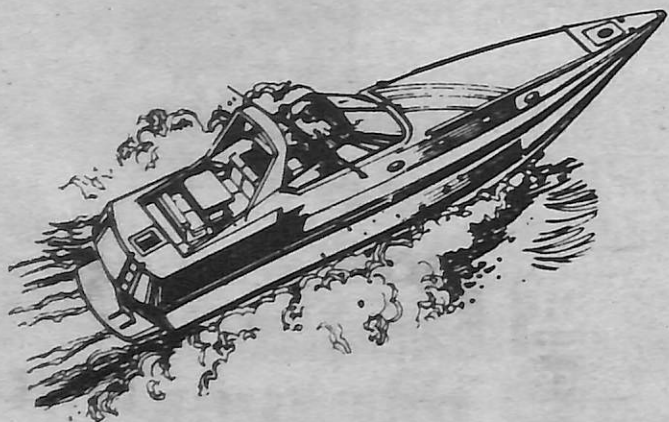
Firemen's Association Holds Saturday Dance



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION recently held a Saturday night dance at the Polish American Club. Pictured having a good time are, from left - Karl & Cele Schmaelzle, Skip Braese, and Donna & Dave Pisano. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



NEVER TO BE FORGOTTEN are the hard workers in the kitchen. From left - Ann Twarog, Vi Prez, Dave Pisano, Sandy Haskins, and Karl Schmaelzle. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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Agawam Obituaries

Joseph DePalo Jr.

Agawam: Joseph DePalo Jr., 39, of 759 South West Street, Feeding Hills, an eight-year technical sales representative at James A. Frisone Company, Bloomfield, Connecticut, died Thursday, May 9th, in Hartford Hospital after a long illness. He was previously a sales representative for 16 years at Champion Package Corporation, Chicopee.

Born in Springfield, he had lived in Agawam most of his life, and was a 1963 graduate of Agawam High School.

He was a member of the International Association of Printers and the Springfield Club of Printing House Craftsmen.

He leaves his parents, Joseph and Elisa (Maddaloni) DePalo of Agawam; and a sister, Marianne Stokowski of Feeding Hills; his fiancée, Sharon Wallace of Feeding Hills; a niece, Elisa Ann Stokowski; and a nephew, Joseph Stokowski, Jr.

The funeral was Monday morning at Colonial Funeral Home and in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Springfield, with burial in Springfield Street Cemetery.

Ralph F. Weston

Agawam: Ralph F. Weston, 61, of 106 Homer Street, Feeding Hills, a retired mailhandler at the Forest Park postal station, died Friday, May 10th, in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield Unit, after he was stricken with an apparent heart attack while playing golf at St. Anne's Country Club. He was a postal worker 30 years and retired in March. Born in Jonesboro, Illinois, he had lived in Feeding Hills 40 years and was a Navy veteran of World War II. He leaves his wife, the former Edith

Rivard; a daughter, Eileen of Tucson, Arizona; his father, Cedric Weston of Jonesboro, and a granddaughter. The funeral was Monday morning at Curran-Jones Funeral Home with burial in Center Cemetery.

Kenneth W. Short

Agawam: Kenneth W. Short, 79, of Federal Hill, Springfield, a retired 10-year assistant to the president of Hampden Color Chemical Company, died Tuesday, May 7th, in Noble Hospital, Westfield. Previously, he was a purchasing agent 40 years for Monsanto Company, Springfield. He had lived in Agawam nearly 50 years. He was a member of Faith Church, Springfield. He was a member of the Purchasing Agents Association of Springfield. He leaves his wife, the former Phyllis Irwin, and two nieces. The funeral was Thursday at Agawam Funeral Home with burial later. Donations may be made to the Shriner's Hospital for Crippled Children or to the church.

Lucy Crupi

Agawam: Lucy (Maiolo) Crupi, 73, of 18 Kanawha Avenue, died Wednesday, May 8th, in Mercy Hospital, Springfield. Born in Springfield, she had lived here 70 years and was a member of the Catholic Women's Club. She leaves her husband, Dominick Crupi; a daughter, Theresa of Agawam; three brothers, Peter, Joseph and James, all of Springfield; two sisters, Carmela "Nelli" Longo of Agawam and Christine Baggetta of Springfield. The funeral was Saturday at Colonial Funeral Home with burial in St. Michael's Cemetery.



JERI A. HARRIS

Jeri A. Harris To Wed Mr. Habicht Of Glastonbury

Mr. and Mrs. William G. Harris of 237 Overlook Road, Glastonbury, Connecticut, announce the engagement of their daughter, Jeri Alicia to Mr. Todd William Habicht. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Habicht of 7 Sunset Drive, Glastonbury, Connecticut.

Miss Harris is a 1977 graduate of Agawam High School and is employed by U & R Realty Company, Manchester, Connecticut.

Mr. Habicht is a 1974 graduate of Glastonbury High School and is employed at Auto Body Supplies and Paint, Inc., in East Hartford, Connecticut.

The couple plans a September 7th wedding in Glastonbury, Connecticut.



A PART OF LIFE

by Peter Forastiere
Colonial Funeral Home

What To Say To A Grieving Widow

Because it is so difficult to know how the bereaved really feels, we advise that you **not** say, "I know how you feel."

It is not necessary to force a conversation, nor to extoll the virtues of the deceased to the grieving family.

Silent expressions of emotion and compassion (like a firm gripping of the hand) and a simple, "I'm sorry," are frequently more effective than talkative attempts at eulogies.

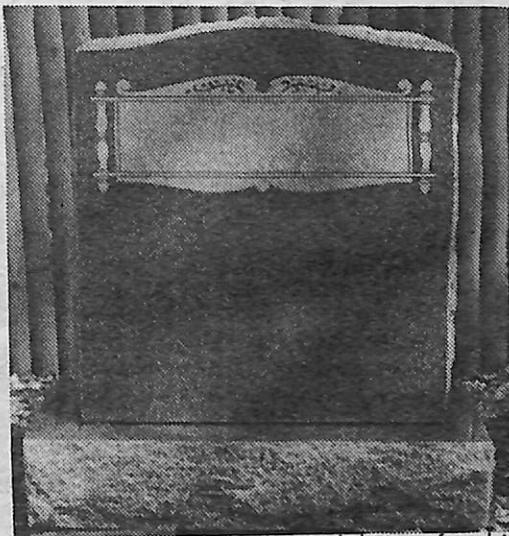
Listening and just "being there" show you care. Your presence is indication of your desire to be sympathetic and comforting.

Above all, don't try to jolt a grieving widow out of her grief. Time will do it for her gradually. She must first accept the loss, then begin to live with it and pass through several emotional stages before the natural healing effects of time take hold.

Please feel free to share your thoughts with us. Your questions and comments are welcome.

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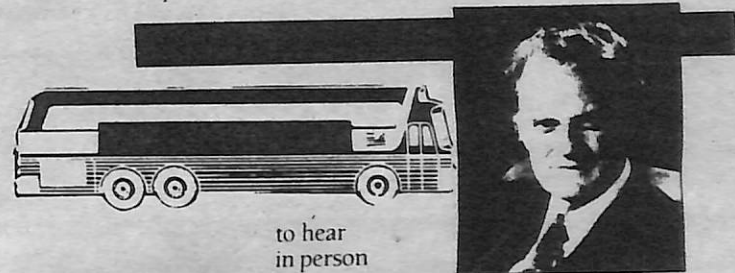
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MORE FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS

by Vi Massoia

Eighteen year-old DENNIS KING, son of ROBERT and CAROL AHEARN-KING of Begley Street, Agawam, finished boot camp on April 12th. He is stationed in Rockland, Maine, on a Coast Guard Cutter.

A 1984 Agawam High School graduate, the former school football player is presently a seaman and is waiting for clearance for Electronic Technician School. He has a 15 year-old brother TOMMY, at home.

THOMAS JAMES BERTRAND was born on May 5th, and weighed 6 pounds, 4 ounces, and measured 18 inches long. Proud parents of their first child are THOMAS and MARY LEE (WOISHNIS) BERTRAND of North West Street, Feeding Hills.

Grandma MARY BERTRAND resides in Cambridge, Massachusetts, and Thomas' other grandparents are MR. and MRS. JOSEPH WOISHNIS of Suffield Street, Agawam.

BETH PHILLIPS of Feeding Hills celebrated her 20th birthday on April 3rd with a dinner and party, which was attended by family and friends.

Beth is a student at Holyoke Community College and works at Brook's Drugs in Agawam.

ALLEN R. NOFTALL, a 1984 graduate of Agawam High School, and now a voice major at the University of Denver, Colorado, recently sang with the Lamont Choral at the American Symphony All-American Choral Gala.

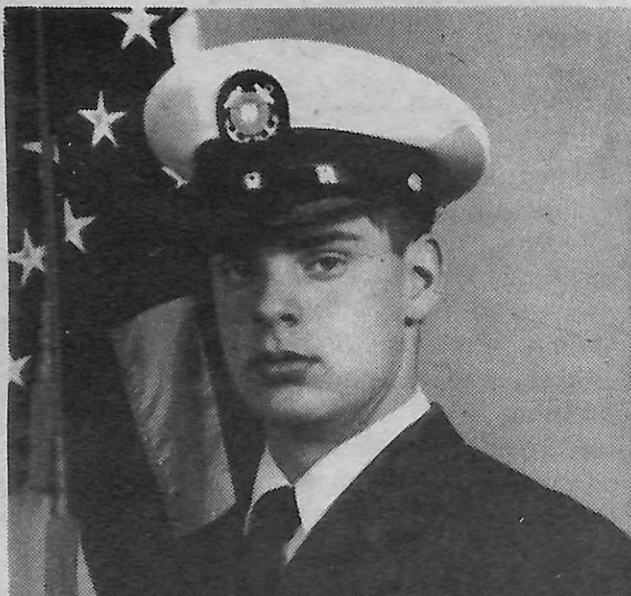
Guest conductor Peter Tiboris directed the symphony and choir, which featured the world premieres of a piece by Greek-American composer Constantines entitled "Byron's Greece."

The concert took place in the prestigious Avery Fisher Hall in Lincoln Center, New York City.

Attending the concert from Agawam were his parents, TERRY and LINDA NOFTALL, and brother, CHRISTOPHER; grandparents LESLIE and CLAUDIA NOFTALL, and BOB & VERAN ALLEN from Ellenton, Florida.

The first child of VINCENT and DONNA (PHILLIPS) VALLETTI of Homer Street, Feeding Hills, was born on May 7th. NIKKI MARIE weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces, and measured 21 inches. Extremely happy with their new granddaughter are MARCIA and PUDGY PHILLIPS of Homer Street, Feeding Hills, and CHARLOTTE and FELIX VALLETTI, of Howes Street, Springfield.

We can't forget great-grandma ANNA GUIDI of Homer Street, Feeding Hills, who just celebrated a birthday (which is written elsewhere).



ROBERT KING in the U.S. Coast Guard. SEE FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS.

Congratulations to VERNON (JR.) and PAMELA (ANDERSON) PEABODY of North West Street, Feeding Hills, on the birth of their twin boys April 8th. They are SCOTT VERNON, who weighed 3 pounds, 12 ounces, and measured 15 inches long. STEVEN MICHAEL weighed 2 pounds, 8 ounces, and measured 15 inches long.

The twins are the first and second grandchildren of ARTHUR and JOANN ANDERSON of South West Street, Feeding Hills, and the fifth and sixth for VERNON and LILLIAN PEABODY of Marlene Drive, Feeding Hills.

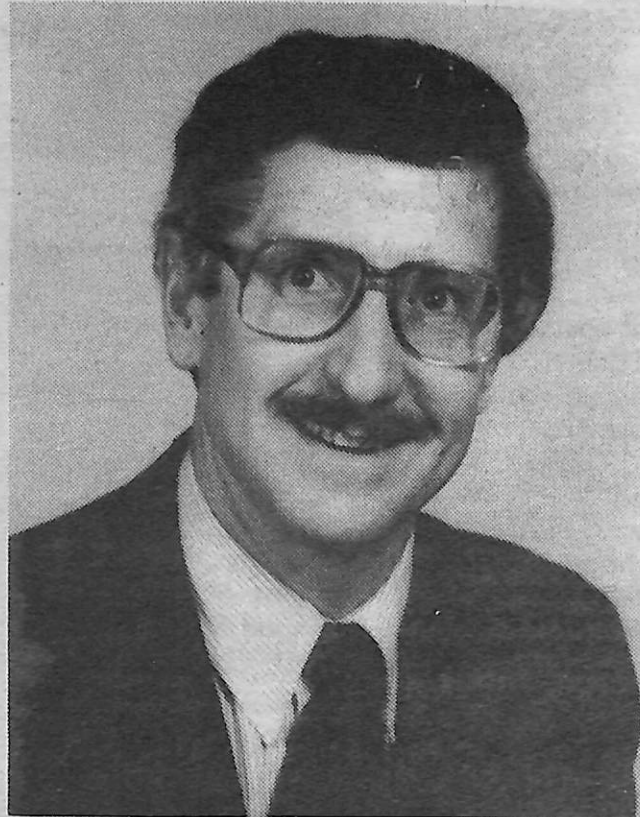
Proud of the newborn twins is great-grandpa ARTHUR ANDERSON SR. of Springfield.

The best Mother's Day present for this mother was the birth of her new son DANIEL STEVEN - who was the first baby born on Mother's Day at the Wesson Women's Hospital in Springfield.

He arrived at 12:39 a.m. on Sunday, May 12th, and weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces, and measured 22 inches long.

The new mom and dad are JULIE ANN (KOZIKOWSKI) ADAMSKI, and STEVEN ADAMSKI, of North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills. They are also the parents of two-year-old NATHAN PAUL.

Paternal grandparents are MR. & MRS. NORBERT ADAMSKI of Briarcliff Drive, Feeding Hills. Maternal grandparents are MR. & MRS. V. PETER KOZIKOWSKI of Poplar Street, Feeding Hills.



Dr. Thomas Morrier

Dr. Morrier Now Serving Dr. Paley Dental Practice

Dr. Thomas Morrier is pleased to announce that his dental practice is now expanded to include that of the recently retired Dr. Alley W. Paley of 717½ Main Street, Agawam.

Dr. Morrier is currently practicing at 1100 Springfield Street in Feeding Hills. Both offices will continue to operate as before at their respective locations.

A graduate of Georgetown University School of Dentistry, with an internship in the U.S. Air Force, Dr. Morrier began his dental practice in Agawam in 1966 at 430 Main Street, moving to Feeding Hills in 1971.

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News, Activities From Ag. Senior Center

Mothers Honored

The Senior Center Activities Committee honored Agawam's senior mothers at a program on May 9th. All mothers in attendance were presented with a real carnation. Prizes were given in five categories, but the winner of each group was selected in a "Name That Tune" contest, which provided fun for the participants and entertainment for the audience.

The five "Oldest Mothers" present were aged 94, 88, 84, 83, and 82. **Alice Waugh**, 83, was the winner, correctly naming the most tunes in this group.

The group of "Youngest Mothers," who had to be 60 or over, found **Rose Duquette** winning the prize. "Most Children of Her Own," ranging from 9 to 6, had four contestants and **Louise Vogt** was the winner. Only one mother could claim "Twins." **Amelia Rivers**, 94 years old, has nine children, including the twins. The fifth group was understandably small - those whose "Mother Is Still Living." For the three contestants, the winner was **Sophie Martin**.

The prizes were most attractive white baskets, all made by members of the Hobby Club, and each well-filled with a variety of fresh fruits. The non-prize winning contestants each received a pink carnation.

Vera Conway played old familiar tunes on an electric keyboard; tunes such as "Baby Face," "Harvest Moon," "Red Sails in the Sunset," and "Harbor Lights" to name a few. Vera's repertoire is endless and Louise Vogt accepted her prize to the tune of "Louise," which brought a laugh from the audience.

Sandra Smith was master of ceremonies, assisted by Helen Blanchard, Gladys Fracazio, Germaine Fontaine, Peg Bellano, Odette Benjamin, and Kay Aldrich. The judges for the "Name that Tune" contest were Estelle Clements, Lee Petty, and Lillian Ruell.

Fathers were not entirely ignored — they were promised a recognition for their day next month.

Senior Center Director Richard Mundo also welcomed the mothers and he presented Senior Center volunteer pins to Hilda Wetzel and Estelle Clements, who had been unable to

attend the recent Volunteer Recognition Luncheon.

Phelps School Children Perform

Following lunch at the Senior Center on May 9th, members of the "Children's Theatrical Workshop" from Phelps School presented a play with music, "Where the Children Are Free." There were about 25 young folks taking part under the direction of Mr. Spiro, who is operating the workshop under a grant from the Agawam Arts and Humanities Council.

The play presented the theme of children growing up in an atmosphere of freedom and free to be what they want to be. It showed many, many hours of hard work on the part of both the children and Mr. Spiro, all done outside of school hours. It will be presented as an evening program at Phelps School.

We thank Mr. Spiro and the members of the Children's Theatrical Workshop for sharing their program with Agawam's seniors.

Art Show

Congratulations to Alice Hulse and Dorothy Jenks, instructors and to the following Art Class students who exhibited paintings in the recent Senior Center Art Show. They included Rose Alvigini, Gertrude Anderson, Ida Binnenkade, Jenny Bosss, Jane Carroll, Doris Catchapaugh, Rose Chriscola, Althea Cowles, Phyllis Cummings, Alice Fournier, William Koob, Ann Markowski, Catherine Monahan, Beatrice Monterio, Dorothy Nacewicz, Dorothy Pisano, Eleanor Reynolds, Nan St. John, Fern Stowe, Esther Straszko, and Agnes Toriani.

The paintings were very nicely displayed, and the abundance of fresh flowers on the tables was an added attraction.

Walk For Fitness

What better time of year than these glorious spring mornings to get yourself launched on a walking program? On Wednesday mornings at 9:30, there is a "Walk for Fitness" group, leaving from the Senior

Center. On Tuesday mornings, Viola Smith is leading a series of walks for Agawam seniors. For more information on these programs, contact the Senior Center at 786-0400, ext. 242.

Saratoga Trip July 18th

Thursday, July 18th, is the Senior Center trip to Saratoga, New York, which includes a guided tour of the Racing Museum in the morning, lunch at Trade Winds Restaurant, and an afternoon performance by the New York City Ballet.

Menu choices are broiled fish with rice and roast sirloin tips. The bus will leave Country View at 7:00 a.m., and the Senior Center at 7:30 a.m., to return to the Senior Center about 6:30 or 7:00 p.m. The cost of the trip is \$26. Make your reservations soon — they close on June 20th.

August 15th - "Family Affair"

Have you signed up for the sequel to "The Wedding" at the Gables in Lenox? The name of this show is "Family Affair," and space is filling up.

Pick-up will be at Country View at 10:00 a.m., and at the center at 10:30 a.m. Price, including show and dinner, is \$26.30. Choice of beef, poultry or seafood, will be made after arriving at the Gables. Deadline for reservations is July 1st.

As usual, payment must accompany your reservation. The ticket booth in the Senior Center lobby is open from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., daily.

May 30th - "Making The Mark"

The Agawam Council on Aging will be showing "Making the Mark," a film about flim-flam operators who prey on the elderly. It is being presented by Community Bank who will be represented by Miriam Silverman.

SEE SENIOR NEWS - Page 11...

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Saturday, May 18th
Annual Plant Sale
Agawam Garden Club
Captain Charles Leonard House
9:00 a.m. to Noontime

Saturday, May 18th
Annual Book Swap
Agawam Education Assn.
Agawam Middle School
9:00 a.m. to Noontime

Saturday, May 18th
Public Supper
Operation Friendship
F.H. Congo Church
5:00 & 7:00 P.M.

Sunday, May 19th
Pancake & Sausage Breakfast
Agawam High Baseball Boosters
Agawam Middle School
8:00 a.m. to Noontime

Saturday & Sunday, June 1st & 2nd
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Agawam Junior Women's Club
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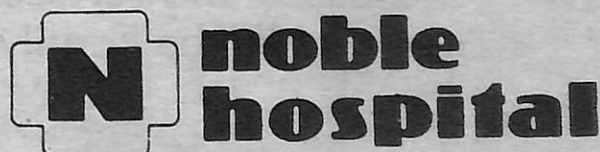
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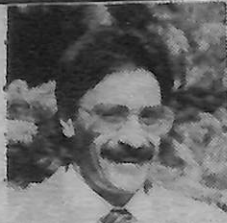


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MONEY SENSE

by Charles Alvanos
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Financial Planning For Newlyweds

Financial planning early in a marriage is a once in a lifetime opportunity. The sooner you start planning for your future, the sooner your financial goals will be realized.

Statistics show that money is the leading cause of marital problems. By developing a financial plan for the future, couples can avoid one of marriage's most prevalent pitfalls, preparing themselves for a financially secure future, including a home, vacations, well-educated children, or any of the other good things in life.

Working with a financial planner can help you and your spouse identify your common goals and work out compromises where goals differ.

The key word is "plan." You want someone who can assess your current needs, long-term goals, and retirement options.

You want a plan that is flexible, can be rescheduled and reportioned, according to changes in career, income, family size, needs, and goals.

There is no one set of rules to follow; no easy formula to work out; and there's no test to take that will determine exactly how you should handle your finances.

A good financial planner will help you take into account the many aspects of your financial picture and help you develop an individualized course of action.

Some variables that you should consider before developing a plan are:

— **Your combined income.** What is it now and what do you project it to be ten years from now? If you plan to have children, will one of you stay at home, reducing your total income?

— **Your goals and when you hope to realize them.** Are you planning to buy a house in the next five years, before the expense and demands of children, or would you rather rent while you establish your careers?

Would you like to travel, finish that degree first and have children later? Or would you like to have children soon?

— **The dollar growth** (at what rate must your investments grow) that is needed to realize your goals. Will a rate of return of six or seven percent (taking into account inflation) be enough, or will you need a higher rate of return?

— **Your risk comfort level.** Are you willing to make high risk investments, or will you stay awake all night worrying that you may have lost everything by morning? Will diversification make you more comfortable?

— **Your investment protection.** Remember, basics such as health, life, disability, and home and auto insurance could greatly reduce your major risk factors.

Looking at all of the above, you may doubt that there is any single investment opportunity that could possibly fit all your needs. You're right. There isn't. That brings us back to diversification.

A financial planner will help you diversify your investments. You may want to consider such possibilities as money market funds for your liquid assets. These funds could be used for short-range goals and serve as your emergency reserves.

For your longer range retirement expenses, you may consider a plan such as an IRA, Keough or company retirement fund. Or, you and your financial planner may look at a real estate limited partnership and its tax shelter investments. Investments in real estate may provide a medium-risk option with tax shelter benefits. The options are multiple.

Creating a financial plan need not be a burdensome task. A sound plan can point you in the right direction to meet your needs without drastically altering your lifestyle.

A final word: be committed. A good plan takes commitment and hard work, just like your marriage. A good plan is worthless unless you develop the discipline to implement its recommendations.

Beginning in June, I will be writing a special series on women and financial planning.

For more information please contact: **Charlie Alvanos (789-0957), 39 High Meadow Road, Feeding Hills, MA 01030.**

SENIOR NEWS - From Page 10...

Ms. Silverman will discuss how seniors can protect themselves against these specialized thieves. If you are interested in protecting your savings, be with us at the Senior Center on Thursday, May 30th, at 12:30 p.m.

From Senior Center Mini-Course

Creative Writing II

Roll Call

*The time has come when we must part
Our classroom hours have ended;
Treasured mem'ries in our hearts
Are with "Mini-College" blended.*

*There's Abby and John who sat "over there,"
And Jennie, then Jack in the next-but-one
chair.*

*Dot and Betty and the sisters three
From now on we shall seldom see.*

*Roberta, a friend from way back when
Will still always be as she was then.
The gals from Longmeadow, faithful too;
Come Wednesday nights, we'll be missing
you.*

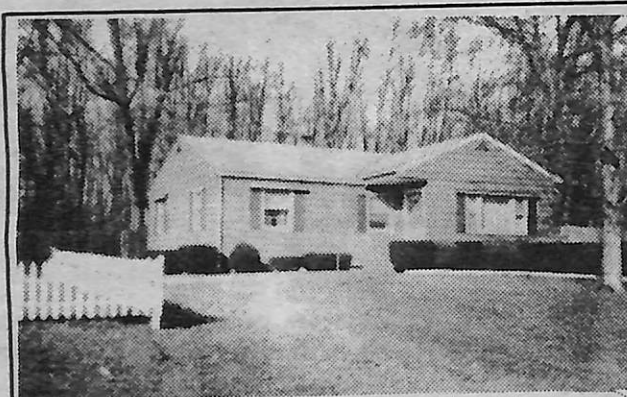
*Kara will soon be exchanging "I Do's,"
Laura'll go on with writing her "news."
Pearl's great gift for amusing and caring
She'll always continue to be sharing.*

*Yes, we'll miss this group we've come to
know.*

*Serious Seniors with a yen to know;
Who still have lots of "Get Up and Go,"
Who now have stories they are proud to
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Laura Dugan

When Agawam's Seniors Want Local News, They Turn Our Pages Each Week!



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Celebrates 100th...



BESSIE MAY (COOK) BALCH, who was born in Springfield on May 15th, 1885, was recently feted on her birthday by family and friends. She was the daughter of Grance (Burnham) Cook and Walter G. Cook. She lived some of her early years in New Haven. When she was 13, she returned to Springfield to live. On June 6th, 1906, she married George W. Balch. She had three children Kenneth B. Balch of Mansenville, New Hampshire, Richard Balch of East Longmeadow, and Christine Balch of Agawam (all pictured above with Bessie). She has three grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and is a member of the Baptist Church. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Agawam UNICO Eases Thru Annual Pancake Breakfast



DINA LANCOUR of 3 Amherst Avenue, Feeding Hills, asks baby **Joey** if he'd like to try some pancakes & sausages prepared by Agawam Unicans on Sunday, May 5th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



KEEPING THE PANCAKES HOT AND READY TO SERVE are members of Agawam UNICO's kitchen crew at the Annual Pancake & Sausage Breakfast. From left - **Bill Mezzetti**, **Ed Disco**, and **Michael Fazio**. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



PISANO AND JAYCOX, EATERS EXTRAORDINAIRE: Youngsters enjoy their breakfast prepared by Agawam Unicans. From left - **David Pisano, Jr.**, **Shauna Jaycox**, **Heather Jaycox**, and **Billy Pisano**. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Marian Center Offers One-Day Spring Retreat

"Spiritual Spring-Cleaning (So That Hope May Grow)," will be the theme of a one-day retreat for women to be conducted by Father Isaias Powers, C.P., at the Marian Center in Holyoke, Saturday, May 18th, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

One of America's best loved retreat directors, Father Powers is a Passionist priest stationed in West Springfield. He directs scores of retreats throughout the United States and Eastern Canada.

It has been said of Father Powers that his religious thought is bounded as much by T. S. Eliot and American Indian philosophy, as it is by the Bible or the Church fathers.

He animates his sermons and retreat talks with a mixture of common sense theology, poetic license, Jungian psychology, and theatrics. His latest book, *Letters from an Understanding Friend: Jesus on the Way to Jerusalem*, was published at the first of this year.

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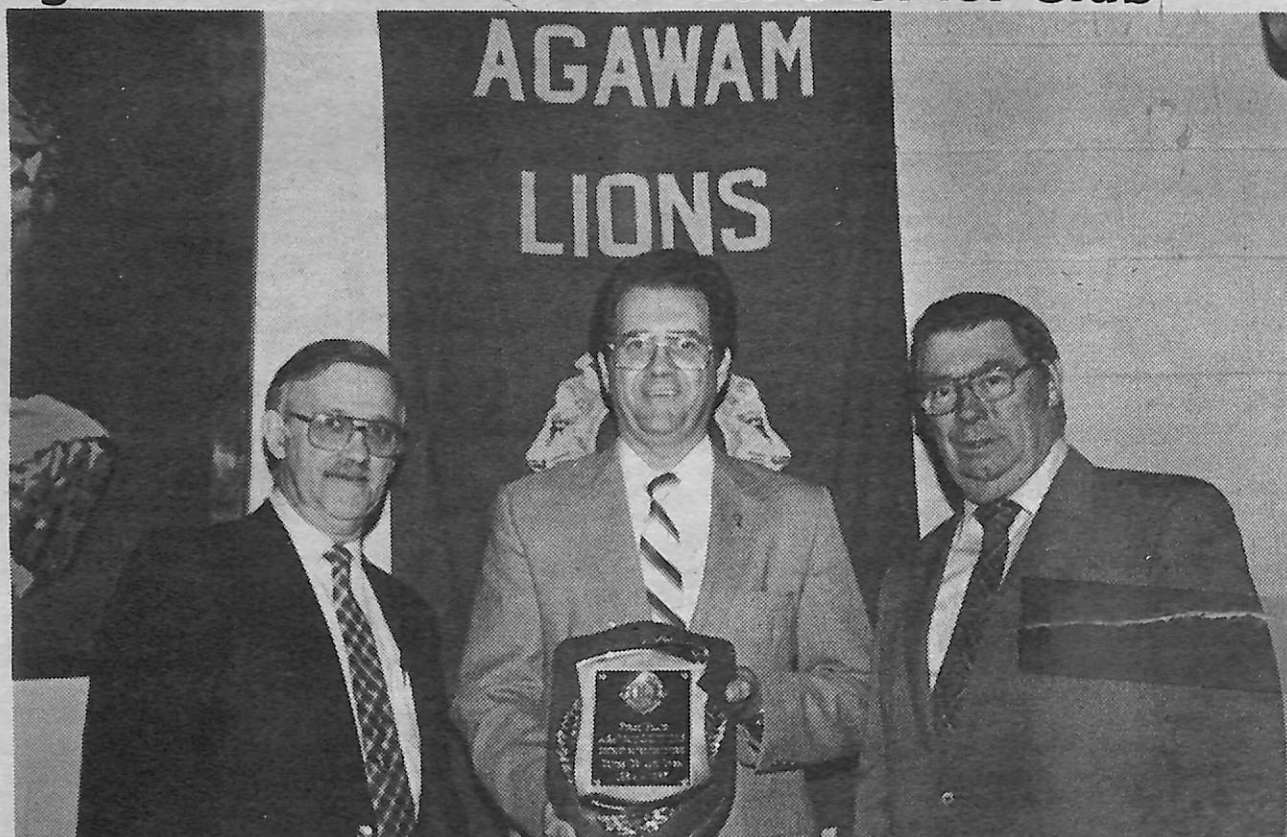
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Agawam Lions Named Best District Club



THE MONTH OF MAY has been a banner month for the Agawam Lions Club. The club won first place as "Best Club in District 33Y. They also received honors as the most outstanding club in the district. They further were named as one of the best five Lions Club's in the state. Pictured holding the award are Agawam Lions members, from left - Al Taupier, new president; Ray Olson, outgoing president; and Jim Loomis, past president. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

FROM THE PULPIT

By Rev. Len Cowan
St. David's Church

FIVE MYTHS ABOUT BILLY GRAHAM

Myth 1: Billy Graham wouldn't dare come to New England. At the invitation of many churches and Christian leaders from across New England, Mr. Graham will be preaching at the Hartford Civic Center, Sunday, May 19th through May 26th. Buses will be running from several Agawam churches to the crusade.

Myth 2: All he's interested in is getting money from a crusade. All of the monies received from the crusade go to support the promotion and management of the crusade itself. These funds are supervised by a committee of local leaders who are not part of the paid crusade team.

Myth 3: All he's interested in is getting more converted "scalps." Those churchgoers and church leaders involved in preparing for this crusade are well aware that the major thrust in a successful crusade is the preparation done on the local level. Mr. Graham has said that he does not believe in "mass evangelism." Local churches prepare; Mr. Graham preaches; local churches follow up; and only God brings the fruit.

Myth 4: He's just one of those red-necked, right-winger types. Although Mr. Graham is unashamed to call himself a patriotic American, he has, of late, carefully avoided involvement in the political sphere. Contrary to popular belief, he is not a member of the Moral Majority.

Myth 5: He just represents an extreme force in the Christian world. Billy Graham's ministry represents a maturing force in worldwide Christianity and is developing an ever-broadening support in the church at large. Although not everyone agrees with Mr. Graham's stand on certain issues, he is noteworthy in his willingness to change certain opinions, such as his recent decision to oppose nuclear arms buildup.

Billy Graham is a preacher of great influence through whom God has worked mightily and a leader of world stature on whom the eyes of the world rest. We would do well to pray for him as he comes to our area, and consider bringing non-Christian friends to the crusade services.

Connecticut Historic Homes To Be Open May 15th

Hartford: The Antiquarian and Landmarks Society's eight historic house museums will open to the public on Wednesday, May 15th.

Each of the Society's historic house museums has been authentically restored and furnished with collections of fine antiques. They are all open, with guided tours provided, from May 15th to October 15th.

Most are open daily, 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. (The Butler-McCook Homestead is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Sunday from noon to 4:00 p.m.; the Isham-Terry House is open Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Small admissions charge at each house.

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Agawam Women's Club Spring Tea



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM WOMEN'S CLUB recently invited all senior ladies to their Annual Spring Tea at the Captain Charles Leonard House on Main Street on Tuesday, April 30th. Pictured enjoying dessert with their tea are, from left - Hazel Gates, Edith Gates, and Lee Faits. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Operation Friendship Has May 18th Supper

There will be a public supper at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church on Saturday, May 18th. servings to 7:00 p.m.

On the menu will be roast beef, mushroom gravy, tomato juice, mashed potato, vegetable, salad, rolls, beverage, and chocolate cake with whipped cream topping.

The supper will be served at 5:00 p.m., with continuous

Donation is \$4.95. There will be a bake sale at the same time.

For reservations, call 786-5061 or 786-1822. The supper is sponsored by the Feeding Hills chapter of Operation Friendship, Inc.

Laughing Brook Has 2nd Bird-A-Thon

Saturday, May 18th, promises to be a big day for birds — and a big day for birders, too!

As part of the second annual Massachusetts Annual Bird-a-Thon, Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden will be sending out several birding teams to compete with teams from some of the other Massachusetts Audubon sanctuaries across the state.

Laughing Brook representatives can be anywhere in the Commonwealth and must see their birds on Saturday, May 18th.

There are several ways people can be involved:

Support Yourself - Take the opportunity to go through your neighborhood or among your friends to develop a support group for your personal birding effort in your neighborhood or across the state.

Join a Walk - Laughing Brook will sponsor a morning outing at the Sanctuary on May 18th. All participants have to do is solicit support and come along. It's possible that this more casual group will see 50 or more species.

Join the Coastal Expedition - This team going to the Massachusetts coast could expect to see well over 100 species.

Support the Allen Bird Club Census Team - May 18th is the Allen Bird Club Census of the Christmas Count Circle. The club has offered to bird for Laughing Brook that day.

Won't you help Laughing Brook? Funds raised from this Bird-a-thon with Laughing Brook teams will go directly to Laughing Brook to help produce programs for children, families, and adults; to support the resident wildlife and wildlife rehabilitation program; to help continue the landscaping efforts; and to support general sanctuary operations.

Even if you cannot join an active team, support Laughing Brook by pledging support for one of the teams or for the total number of different species seen by all teams on May 18th.

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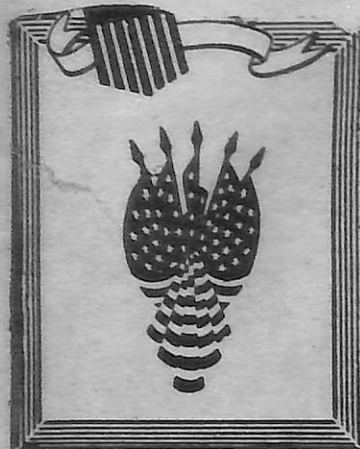
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Strange Phenomenon In Agawam - Feeding Hills

NOTE: This is the last of a five-part series concerning strange events and happenings in the Agawam - Feeding Hills area by local historians Marilyn & Dick Curry.

Things That Go Bump In The Night

Until now we have centered the attention of our stories around the natural or near-natural incidents within our town and village. That is until now!

Undoubtedly, the story that follows will provoke considerable questions as to the credibility of the experience encountered, yet herein is the story as it was told to us. No one need ask why the storytellers remain anonymous.

Some years ago, a family, having purchased one of Agawam's archaic colonial homes, began working on certain renovations, prior to their moving into the house. Usually some member of the family would spend the latter part of the afternoon working about the property, attempting to get things in hand before moving in.

On this particular bright and sunny spring afternoon, one member of the household was working downstairs. As yet, no one else had arrived. Within a half hour a loud stomping was heard, like that of someone walking from room-to-room on the second floor.

"Hello?" the person called out, thinking that perhaps someone was indeed in the house. Awaiting a reply and following several clearly audible inquiries, there remained no answer from the rooms above.

Doubting his senses, the person in attendance cautiously proceeded toward the upstairs hall. After checking each and every room it was obvious that no one was present, save for the puzzled individual!

Several years had passed and during the interim of time, at least two members of the family had heard the sound of someone, or something, walking across the attic floor above their bedroom.

At first, immediate investigations were made, whereupon nothing at all was found attributable to the noise. Certainly, no field mouse nor family of mice could have made that loud stomping sound (familiar to someone's walking) across the wide planking of the attic floor.

When at first this family had inquired about a bank loan to purchase the property, the banker asked, "Don't tell me you want one of those old homes with the creaking floors and doors that seem to open in the night?" Obviously, they did.

Throughout the years the family has become acquainted with the creaking floors and latched doors that open during all hours of the night. But, they assume that this is all part of owning an old home, therefore they take it all in stride.

Presence Of A Spirit

Having learned to live with the shenanigans of Nature, or whatever, it was some years thereafter that the house was opened to several historical tours, for the purpose of raising funds for local organizations. During one such occasion, two visitors entered the house and upon greeting their hosts, an inquiry was made if the owners had ever experienced strange happenings.



Without waiting for a reply, the visitors promptly responded with a more comforting response, "Upon entering your house, we realized the presence of a spirit...however, put your minds at ease, since this spirit seems most happy and content! You must be doing something right!"

With this exclamation, the host and hostess became more relaxed. It seems the visitors were well-educated individuals, members of a local philosophic group.

Now, the proprietors cannot truly ascribe to a belief in the spirit world, and they do admit that as long as their uninvited guest behaves, it is certainly welcome!

Also, they suggest, with a wry smile, that as long as the "being" is present and content, it would be fully appreciated were the said being to inform them of the unknown location of the well that is said to be on the property, thereby allowing the present inhabitants the opportunity to make use of this natural resource.

"By Ge, Sir! These Yankees are a shrewd lot. Always trying to get the most for their pennies! Ayuh!"

The Screaming Lady Of Robinson Park

We shall conclude our series of stories with a more recent occurrence that happened just a few years ago to the inhabitants of Robinson State Park (around James Street).

The experience had the residents sitting on the edge of their seats!

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Grange Celebrates 60th Anniversary

by Dorine Kubik
Advertiser News Feature Writer

"An anniversary is a stepping stone to growth," Kenneth B. Skinner, Overseer of the Massachusetts State Grange, stated at the 60th Anniversary Celebration of the Feeding Hills Grange.

Members and guests of honor gathered at the Grange Hall on 47 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, on Tuesday evening May 7th, to celebrate this special honor for the Feeding Hills Community Grange.

Guests Of Honor

Guest of honor included charter members of the local Grange and state officers. Along with Skinner and his wife, Judy, from Bridgewater. Other Grange officers attending were Gerald Celley of Southwick, a member of the state membership committee; Brian Bitgood and his wife, Correna, co-chairpersons of the State Membership Committee; Frederick Fife of West Springfield, a member of the state agriculture committee; Virginia Smith of Palmer, a Grange deputy; and Thomas Colthart of Holyoke, Grange deputy.

Charter Members

A 60-year service seal in emerald green and gold was added to the golden sheaf certificates of six charter members. Among the recipients were two sisters from town with 60 years in Grange; Florence Blish of Norman Terrace, and her sister, Elise B. Bradway of North West Street. Both women received their awards from Kenneth Skinner.

Other members honored with 60-year awards in absentia were: Florence Conkey, Lucy Jeffrey, H. Grace Taylor, and M. Louise Taylor.

During an interview with Florence Blish, secretary of the Feeding Hills Grange, she said, "I really enjoyed the evening. The celebrations are always fun and everyone had a good time."

One thought that stood out in her mind was from Skinner's speech. He said, "The five points of the star that is sewn on Grange regalia banners stand for faith, patriotism, service, hope, and people."

The Grange Hall was decorated in springtime white dogwood blossoms and pink azaleas. Bouquets of purple violets and lily of the valley were designed by Elise Bradway for all the officers.

Fifty-year members were honorary chairmen of the event, and younger members helped with refreshments. An anniversary cake was served, along with ice cream sundae cups and fruit punch. Grange members also on the party committee included Agnes Raison, Muriel Thayer, Naida King, Elise Bradway, and Miss Blish.

Entertainment

Bits of history were prepared by Muriel Thayer. Among her notes, she told about the club's first meeting and the highlights of the past 60 years.

In the beginning (1925), meetings were held in the former Feeding Hills Town Hall building, and later in the community room of the then "new" Granger School.

In September 1950, the former West Street School in Feeding Hills was purchased from Nelson King, and a building committee was appointed. "It was a battered and boarded up one-room school," according to club history, and after renovations and good up-keep, the old schoolhouse is now a lovely Grange meetinghouse.

More entertainment was provided by Judy Skinner and Mark Fuller. Mrs. Skinner entertained with western guitar selections. Semi-classical songs from musical comedies were sung by Fuller.

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"GOLDEN SHEAF" members of the Feeding Hills Community Grange: From left - Dorothy Stuart, Muriel Thayer, Florence Blish, Elise Bradway, Naida King, and Agnes Raison. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



GRANGE STATE OFFICERS: Back, from left - Ellsworth Bostwick, Judy Skinner, Kenneth Skinner, and Thomas Colthart. Front row - Brian Bitgood, Correna Bitgood, Virginia Smith, Frederick Fife, and Gerald Celley. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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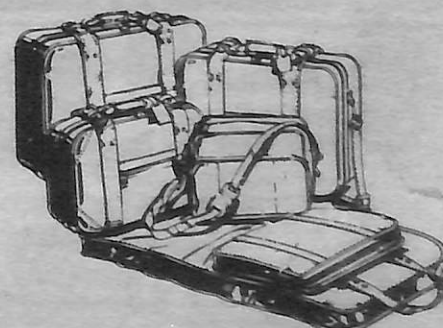
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It seems on this particular late and darkened evening (Yankee storytellers always seem to choose dark and dreary evening), when certain residents heard a number of ear-piercing screams emanating somewhere in the dark forest of the park.

The chilling voice seemed to be a woman apparently screaming for assistance. It seemed the voice was that of a victim being carried further and further into the woods, crying for help.

Naturally, the authorities were quickly notified and in no time at all, a number of men appeared on the scene, accompanied by the local police. A thorough search was made.

Again and again, the woman's piercing screams were heard by all. At least a few members of the party sensed a chill run up their spines!

As the search continued, a newly-arrived volunteer cautioned the group to wait for a moment, whereupon the chilling scream again was heard. Although the scream seemed that of a woman in distress, the woodsman went on to explain that on various occasions he had heard such a noise, only to discover that it was nothing more than the mating call of the porcupine!

Again and again, the sound echoed forth from the woods. The spiny creature was on the move, if that's what it was! Although the men seemed confident that this man knew his business, the search was continued. Much to the relief of everyone, nothing nor anyone was found.

In conclusion, it might be stated that the porcupine is an animal that resides within the confines of its own territory; living within an area that it claims for its own.

He eats the bark and twigs of most species of evergreens, grasses and reeds found within the periphery of a pond or water source.

Accordingly, the claims of the old woodsman are aptly described as the cause for a "Screaming Lady in Distress" that was never found.

In Conclusion...

Although the bulk of the articles have been based on the Natural occurrences within our community, there are always those who would deny any particle of truth to the stories herein related. That is their prerogative!

The fact remains that these stories, or tales, are in part or whole, based on factual experience. It remains for the reader alone to determine any realistic basis for them.

In Botkin's book, there is a parcel devoted to the Ballads and Songs of New England. One such ballad is entitled "Yankee Manufactures," and we quote but a

few stanzas of the piece that describes a Yankee's love for his region:

*"I wish I was in Yankee land,
And was a boy again, sirs;
I'd suck sweet cider thro' a straw,
And fish in ev'ry rain, sirs.
I'd never wander from my home
To visit other lands, sure
But stay at home, eat pumpkin pie
Of Yankee manufacture*

Even though the "Proper Bostonian" may claim his "Beantown" as the "Hub of the Universe," it remains for the radiating spokes of the wheel that extend to every nook and cranny of Yankeeland, to complete the totality of greatness that symbolizes this strange and lovable section of the northeast.

It matters not from whence you came, or still further when you might have arrived upon the scene. What does matter is the fact that once arrived you allow yourself the privilege of becoming fully absorbed into that which mysteriously makes us, one and all, true Yankees.

As my wife so often states, "We are all immigrants to this land." And well she should know, since her great-grandmother was a full-blooded Eastern Woodland Indian...the first of the "come-overs."

We are indeed proud to claim the name of Yankee! And as the old Revolutionary flag of the coiled serpent aptly states: "Don't Tread On Me."

Take Pride In The Name Yankee

This summer, as many of us will travel abroad or throughout this great land, there might very well be occasion when some outsider will refer to us as Yankee.

Such being the case, we should hold our head high, without too much defiance in our eyes, and take true pride in the name. Indeed we are Yankees, just as the many stories, tales, and legends that have been handed down through the years attest.

It is graciously requested that should any reader have a story or tale of local concern, they should take time to write down the account of the experience, that it might be properly recorded and forwarded to the authors.

Also, for those who desire further reading of the strange legends and stories of the Yankee people of earlier times, we suggest reading, *A Treasury of New England Folklore*, edited by B. A. Botkin, Crown Publishers, New York, 1947.

For specific areas of tales within the New England region, we suggest any number of books written by famed Yankee author, Edward Rowe Snow.

We hope you have enjoyed this five-part series. Next week, the Currys will begin a series on local farming.

GRANGE - From Page 16...**Changing Times**

Long standing club members have seen a lot of changes in the Grange over the past six decades. In recalling past lecturer's programs at club meetings, Muriel Thayer told about one program held in 1928. On a light-hearted note, but an example of changing times, *How Far Is The Modern Housewife Justified In Feeding Bakery Products To Her Husband?* was presented.

Another program, held in 1929, was a competition with the "bobbed hair ladies and the tobacco-using men, and the long-haired ladies and non-users of tobacco."

In 1935, the Grange's 10th Anniversary Party was held at the town hall. A supper was served and the price of admission was a mere 25 cents. A mortgage burning ceremony was held years later on May 6th, 1969.

Important To Community

Throughout the years, Grange has accomplished a never-ending list of projects for this community. Some of their early projects included clean up campaigns with school children, scotch-lite for bicycles, sponsoring a girl scout troop, shelves for the former Feeding Hills Library, planted shrubbery at the Veteran's Bridge, and much more.

In 1958, scholarships were established for high school graduates.

Also in 1958, the Grange initiated an article for the town meeting warrant to establish a town conservation committee, which is still in existence.

Future projects for the Grange include addressing the problem of missing children.

**Chapter 766 Workshop
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The Agawam Parents Advisory Council for Special Needs Children is sponsoring a workshop on Chapter 766. Chapter 766 is a law that deals with the education of all special needs children.

Linda Estes, from the Massachusetts Regional Office of Education in West Springfield, will conduct this workshop on Tuesday, May 21st, at the Agawam Junior High School Library (second floor), 1305 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m.

Topics of discussion will include: individual educational plans (I.E.P.), team meetings, parents' and children's rights under the law, and functions of the regional office.

Following the workshop there will be a question and answer period.

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Fans Of Fantasy Will Adore Suffield Play

by Phil Benoit
Advertiser News Entertainment Editor

If you are a fan of fantasy, then by all means see the Suffield Players' production of *The Princess and the Pea*.

The two-act play, which ran last Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, has three more performances scheduled for Friday (May 17th) at 8:00 p.m. and Saturday (May 18th) at 2:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. All shows are at Mapleton Hall, Mapleton Avenue, Suffield.

The Princess and the Pea is a fairy tale that deals with a young man's search for a bride. The man in question, Prince Valiant (Michael Martin), is 19½ years old, and tradition dictates that he must take a long journey in order to find a princess who'll become his wife.

However, Valiant's decision as to whom he'll ultimately marry is not a final one. According to his grandmother, Queen Maude (Kelly Seip), the prospective bride must pass a special test that will prove whether or not she is a "true" princess.

Throughout the play, Valiant encounters the following eligible ladies:

- Princess Minerva (Mary K. Roy): A woman with the personality of a computer.
- Princess Diana Dingaling (Kristie Kreps): A giggly girl who has the singing and dancing abilities of the worse contestants on *The Gong Show*.
- Princess Beaulah (Rosemarie Raina): An attractive yet overly vain woman who spends most of her time looking at herself in the mirror.
- Princess Stella (Pat Haynes): A tattooed female weightlifter who goes by the nickname "Amazon."
- Princess Olivia (Marge Secora): A kindhearted but poor young lady who happens to be betrothed to another man.

What makes this production of *The Princess and the Pea* special is the environment in which the story takes place and the nature of some of its characters. Besides doing an extraordinary job as the play's director, Lyle W. Pearsons rewrote part of the script to give the plot a setting which, according to the program, is "somewhere in another time, another place, another

Agawam Junior Women Prepare Crafts Fair

Many exhibitors will be displaying their work and demonstrating their skills on Saturday, June 1st and Sunday, June 2nd, as Main Street undergoes its annual transformation into the Agawam Junior Women's Club's 11th Arts and Crafts Festival.

Returning for another year will be Charlene Miller of East Longmeadow to show her country tole and decorative painting. Lucille Lomascolo of Springfield will display hand-woven baskets and hand-painted tote bags and cups.

Cathy Richards and Lucretia Feriolo of Agawam will offer a variety of fabric crafts, including pillows, animals and decorative hoops. June Cloutier will show her soft-sculptured creations and "quick quilts."

The "practical woodcrafter," H. E. Gannon from Westfield, will return to offer an assortment of colonial products for the home.

Albert Routhier of Turners Falls will be on hand again, exhibiting his wood veneer pictures, and Bruno Branchesi will return with his woodcrafts.

Wilbraham will be represented by Stewart McCracken with his picture restoration. The art of chair caning will again be demonstrated by Francis and Gerry Hill of Westfield.

Also, Ralph Wolcott will be on hand with his upholstery. Tapestry, tablecloths and placemats will be available from the talented Joe & Dolly Dawood.

A stop at the booth of Anne Babcock will find

crocheted afghans. Those looking for knit clothes for soft-sculptured dolls will find them with Mary Berry. Eugenia Wood of Chicopee will offer both crocheted and fabric dolls and accessories, along with knitted and crocheted items for baby.

For those looking for artwork, Dolores Fingerhut, who is new to this area, will show her talents with hand-colored etchings, oils, and watercolors. Black and white and color photographs will be shared by Donna McCarthy from Agawam and Maureen Brodrick of Springfield will be on hand with pen and ink drawings.

Hand-made skirts and children's wear can be located at Sarah Kanner's booth, while Laurie Babineau of Wilbraham will offer hand-painted and air-brushed clothing, and ink and pencil illustrations. Traveling from Chicopee will be Joanne Darcy with her quilted children's vests, stenciling, and soft sculptures.

Lisle and Doris Hebert of Westfield will be on hand with ecology boxes and Judith Knapp will display her silk flower arrangements on wreaths and hats.

Leaded glass items will be shown by Cynthia Ford of East Longmeadow. Karen Patino of Agawam will show her talents with crocheted, needlepoint, macrame, and cross-stitched items. Stuffed dogs, knick-knacks, and wall-hangings can be found with Caren and Phyllis Ouellette. Traveling from Chester with Josephine Sanuita will be clowns, geese and quilts.

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dimension, another world...etc., etc."

And, within this *Star Wars*-ish universe, elements of medieval fantasy and futuristic science fiction exist side by side.

For example, in the kingdom where Prince Valiant resides, magic is employed in the forms of an Ancient Book of Wisdom and the power of a soothsaying gypsy named Esmeralda Smythe (Diane Novak). But, when Valiant embarks on his long journey, he uses the Portal of Transposal, a technological device that transports him to the distant worlds where he searches for a possible bride.

With the exception of Princess Olivia, the eligible women whom Valiant meets are alien in appearance. To represent these otherworldly traits of these characters, colorful makeup and costumes by Patty Coope and Nadine Glover, respectively, are used for this production.

The conceited Princess Beaulah, for instance, resembles a sleek feline with pinkish, close-fitting apparel and small ears sticking out from the top of her head. Princess Diana Dingaling, meanwhile, wears a black leotard and tights with a silvery vest and attached red wings, and this clothing gives her an insectile quality.

Other technical values which contribute to the magical atmosphere of the play are the impressive sound, visual, and lighting effects. In particular, the moments involving the Portal of Transposal prove that film and television aren't the only places where captivating special effects can be seen.

Jerry Zalewski's set concept also deserves credit. The middle and frontal portion of Mapleton Hall's stage is used to represent the hall of Prince Valiant's home, and an upper tier behind this part of the stage is

the site of the Portal of Transposal. Throughout the first act, the sides of the stage are alternately used to depict the different castles of Valiant's prospective brides.

Not only does this layout give much detail to the set, but it allows for a great deal of flexibility. Since the castles of the eligible princesses occupy the stage for only a short time, their being situated at the sides of the stage makes it easier for crew members to move props and other furnishings in a quick manner.

Each of the performances in *The Princess and the Pea* is a joy to watch. As Prince Valiant, Martin conveys the naive charm of a young man who travels far from home for the first time.

Always at Valiant's side is his oafish but faithful squire, Donald Duncie. Played with the right amount of buffoonery by Bob Sylvester, Donald is a great source of humor.

In the role of Queen Maude, Seip is perfect. She gives her character a crusty personality that offsets the wimpy quality of Valiant's father, King Maximillian (well-played by Mark Ekenbarger).

Though all of the actresses who play princesses are impressive, Haynes is the most memorable. Her Stella the "Amazon" almost steals the show via a personality that has all the grace of a female wrestler.

The Princess and the Pea is a fantastic play for theatergoers young and old. This is family fare at its finest, and it provides much entertainment through an effective mixing of magical charm and uproarious humor.

PUBLISHER'S NOTE: Tickets for *The Princess and the Pea* are \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children 12 years of age and under. To guarantee yourself tickets, make reservations by calling (203) 627-9949.

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David Andry Wins State Drums Championship

At the recent A.T.A.M. Music Contest held at the Marriott Hotel in Newton, David Andry of Agawam won the 1985 Massachusetts State Championship for Drums and Percussion.

David is a sophomore at Agawam High School, where he is a drummer/percussionist for the school's Marching Mohawks, and Concert and Jazz bands.

He is also a member of Young People's Symphony and is a member of the rock band "Off the Wall." He plays varsity soccer for the school as well.

In July, David will cruise to Bermuda and Nassau with the Springfield Guitar-Accordion Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Sam Falcetti.

Long Meadow Days Set For June 1st & June 2nd On Green

June 1st and June 2nd are the dates for the Sixth Annual "Long Meadow Days." A town parade will start the festivities on Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m. The Holyoke Caledonian Pipe Band will lead the parade up Longmeadow Street to the Town Green.

This year marks the 75th anniversary of the Caledonian Pipe Band. The band was organized in 1909 by a group of immigrant Scots associated with the Holyoke Caledonian Benefit Club.

The band made its first appearance in the 1910 Holyoke 4th of July Parade. Since then, they have participated in many other well-known New England parades.

The original tartan worn by the band in 1910 was the Ramsey tartan. It was worn until 1935 when it was replaced by the Gordon tartan.

In 1962, the band was completely re-outfitted in full Highland dress, with kilts and plaids of the Royal Stuart tartan. It remains the same today.

Today, led by Drum Major Robert Fancey of East Longmeadow, the band practices once a week in Holyoke. There are 21 members of the band, 14 pipers and seven drummers. After playing in the Saturday morning parade, the band will give two other performances on the Longmeadow Green during the day.

In addition to the Pipe Band, "Long Meadow Days" will feature a variety of other activities to please young and old alike. The children will love the animal exhibit with a wonderful petting zoo, a hay jump, and a bike rodeo and scarecrow building contest!

For those interested in the historic side of things, there will be free tours of the Storrs House, First Church, the Old Burying Yard, plus a tour of the historic architecture around the Town Green.

This year's art show and sale, and craft show and sale should prove to be outstanding. Alar Hobart and Miriam Weaver are working hard to present a large variety of talented crafts and art exhibitors from local as well as regional areas.

"Long Meadow Days," headed by Barbara and Charlie Wilkinson, is once again sponsored by the Longmeadow Historical Society.

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AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORE David Andry won the 1985 Massachusetts State Championship for Drums and Percussion. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

JUNIOR WOMEN'S FAIR - From Page 18...

Terry Ladue will exhibit her hand-sculptured dolls, knitted and crocheted clothing, and stuffed animals. Bertha Young will arrive from Williamstown with her porcelain and fabric dolls. Tissue box houses, rafia dolls, and baby items can be located with Joann Dusa. Joanne Schmidt will bring with her a selection of goose decoys and dolls.

Pic Mill Handcrafts will return this year with stenciled pillows and oven rack jacks, while Evelyn Demuses will have large mice and baby quilts for sale. Judith McCaul of Chester will bring her decorative pillows, vests, tote bags, and quilts. Ludlow will be represented by Marion Marceau with a variety of calico and crocheted items. No-sew calicos in hoops will be located at Emilie Smith's display, while Virginia Tippet will offer beadcraft and chenille items.

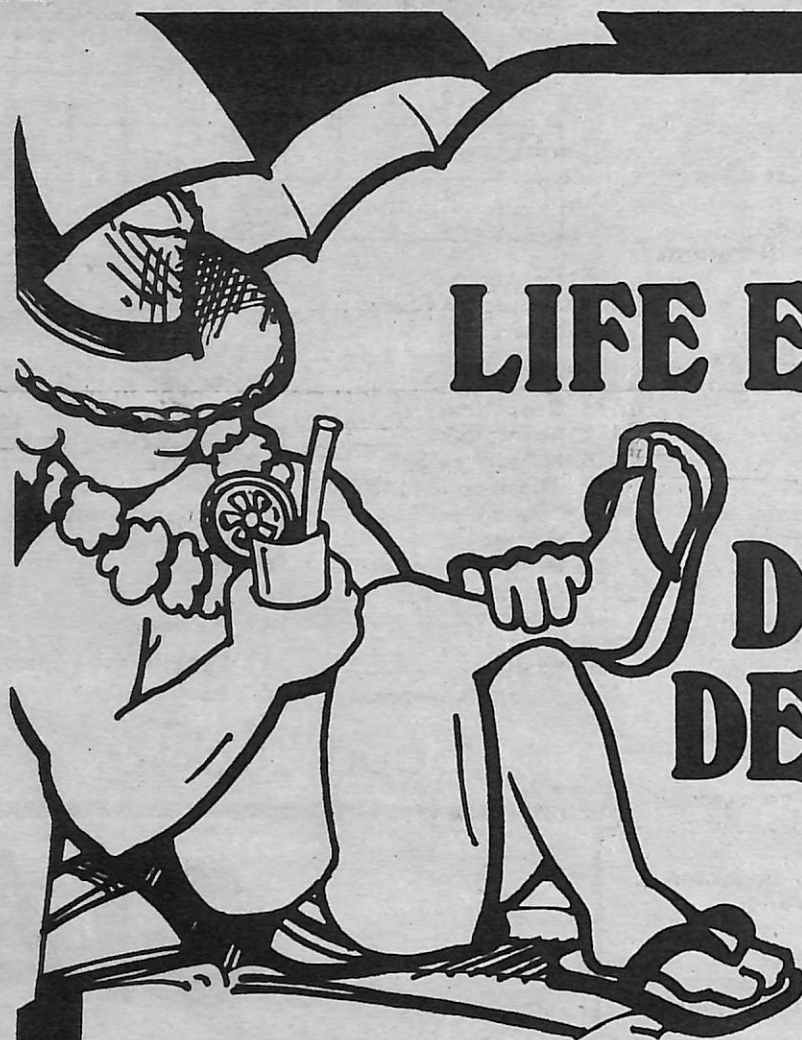
This festival is a major fundraiser of the Agawam Junior Women's Club to benefit their civic and charitable gifts, including the 1986 scholarship awards.

With several booths still available, any interested artist or craftsperson is encouraged to contact Barbara Shusterman (786-60106) or Eileen Hamre (789-2818).

Agawam Hi-Lighters Schedule May 25th Dance

The Agawam Hi-Lighters Square Dance Club will hold a dance on Saturday, May 25th, at Valley Community Church, South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, at 8:00 p.m. Gordon Anderson will be the caller and Linn Case will cue the rounds.

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CLUE: For the sports-minded: ladies, ask the men to help you with this one!

ACROSS

1. Clasps
6. Gazelle
10. Former commissioner Chandler
15. Religious pictures
20. Mete out
21. Memorable time periods
23. — — is a rose is ...
24. Actress Dressler
25. Part of an old college cry
26. French landscapist
27. Pauses
28. Chatter
29. Memorable day in January
32. PGA star Craig
34. A Lincoln son
35. Snow in Glasgow
36. Galahad et al
37. Knights, bishops, pawns...
42. Miss Trueheart
45. Workshop horses
50. — and seek
51. Naval jails
54. Kind of drum
56. Infer
57. Zodiac sign
59. Restrain
61. Olives
63. Superlative performers
64. Name again
67. Those between "the white lines"
71. Three to nine follower
72. Commissioned officers: abbr.
73. Chemical compound
74. Defeated badly
77. — — — pancake
80. Ambles along, western style
85. Broz
86. Soak flax
87. Poetical contraction
88. German river
89. Hobo jungle fixture
93. Amphibole
95. Tournament groups or rankings
98. Keep up, to a poet
100. Braz. tree
101. Bathtub
102. Quest for Crenshaw
109. Succor
113. Air prefix
114. Mountain crest
115. Crease
117. Western yell
118. Interrupt: 2 wds
121. Go in
123. Savor
126. Weather —
127. Aaron specialty
129. Spanish cheers
131. Ticket scalper?
133. Chemical endings
134. Likely
136. What money earns: abbr.
137. — — and match
141. Top football player
150. Vibrant
151. Cornered
153. Arrow poisons
154. Pitcher Jerry for short

155. Drive to the outfield
156. Strike out
157. Realtors sign
158. Infielders bane
159. Ogles
160. River mouth land
161. Electrical measurements
162. Bergen dummy

DOWN

1. Montreal Canadians nickname
2. Brothers of baseball fame
3. Pig food
4. Kind of vault
5. Begins
6. Cipher solver
7. "Pretty maids all in —"
8. Clay-like soil
9. At — — for words (speechless)
10. Solid
11. Region
12. Bunch of flowers
13. Attention getting sound
14. Affirmative reply
15. Stalemate
16. Pasteboard
17. Type of taste
18. Poetical night
19. Clairvoyant
22. Pilot or man
30. Long football pass
31. Scottish no's
33. "Don't — on me"
36. M. Will's speciality
37. Singe
38. Employ
39. Blue-pencil
40. TV come-on words
41. Birds beak
43. Bluenose
44. Spanish dining room
46. Serving platter
47. Insects
48. At anytime
49. Soap frame bar
52. "Gift of —" (vulnerable)
53. Bugged down
55. Ballplayers fear
58. British carbine
60. Assets
62. Puzzle theme: abbr.
65. Light Horse Harry
66. Complete
68. Educated guess: abbr.
69. Meadowland
70. Art: Latin
74. Thru-ways for short
75. Mr. Carson
76. Follower
77. Independent ones
78. Just — — — the iceberg
79. What benchwarmers do: 3 wds.
81. End zone celebration
82. Fire remainder
83. Besides
84. Elders
90. Paper tablet
91. Cere's mother
92. Tree
94. Complainer
95. Federal agency
96. Old card game
97. Doctrinaire
99. Fondle
102. Incision
103. Nevada showplace
104. Syria once

MEET THE MASTER - by Dick Mastroianni

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105. Coopers no
106. Footballer Graham
107. Sense
108. Dade County state
110. Gem
111. Descartes
112. Mix colors
116. Military award
119. Those coming to life
120. "Elmers —"
122. Garner
124. Desires, with for
125. German one
128. Took out of play in tennis
130. Sunder
132. Amounts wagered

135. Choir voice
137. Impudence
138. "... a sin to tell —"
139. An adit leads to one
140. At anytime
141. Blue duck
142. Repose
143. Conception
144. Prefix for gram
145. Shoe part
146. Ripped
147. Additional
148. Hebrew lyre
149. Dope to the Fonz
152. Postal abbr.

Agawam Historical Assn. Plans May 23rd Banquet

The Agawam Historical Association Banquet will be held at the First Baptist Church at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, May 23rd.

Reservations may be made with George Reynolds, at 789-0328. Checks should be received by Tuesday, May 21st.

The speaker will be Greg Farmer.

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Schools

Phelps School Stages Play About Problems Of Pre-Adulthood

by Alexis Ferioli
School Department Editor

Students, parents, and local residents had the opportunity to witness the Children's Theater Workshop's production of "Free To Be You And Me" May 8th, 9th, and 10th at three of the town's elementary schools, and at the senior citizen's center.

Based on an original play by actress Marlo Thomas, the 60-minute production highlighted several of the feelings, problems, and stages youngsters experience before achieving adulthood.

Under Direction Of Phelps Teacher Louis Spiro

Under the direction of fifth grade Phelps School teacher Louis Spiro, the 25-member cast performed before their peers at Clark, Robinson Park, and Phelps School, as well as the residents of the Agawam Senior Center.

Funded by a grant from the Agawam Arts and Humanities Council, the production was open to any interested fifth or sixth grader willing to devote 1½ hours, three days a week (after school) for rehearsal.

Spiro points out that everyone who asked to participate in the show was accepted. He explains that he chose the Marlo Thomas play because of both the importance of its message and its feasibility for such a large cast.

Comprised of skits, poetic recitations, songs, dances, and mime performances, the program discussed the importance of having friends, the differences between girls and boys, the lament of siblings, the importance of being yourself, and the many parental roles.

The show's rousing finale entailed the entire cast singing "Free To Be You And Me" and the popular U.S.A. for Africa song, "We Are The World."

Spiro notes that students not only were involved on stage but also behind the scenes. Lighting, sound, props, and choreography were just some of their many responsibilities.

Spiro gratefully acknowledges Phelps School principal William Miller for allowing the cast to rehearse in that school's auditorium since January.

He also credits elementary school music teacher Lee Files and student Shawn Montgomery for providing the show's musical accompaniment on piano and guitar, respectively.

Moreover, he expresses his gratitude to parent Carol Bradley for attending rehearsals and providing students with transportation home, as well as his wife, Barbara, who created the cast's costumes.

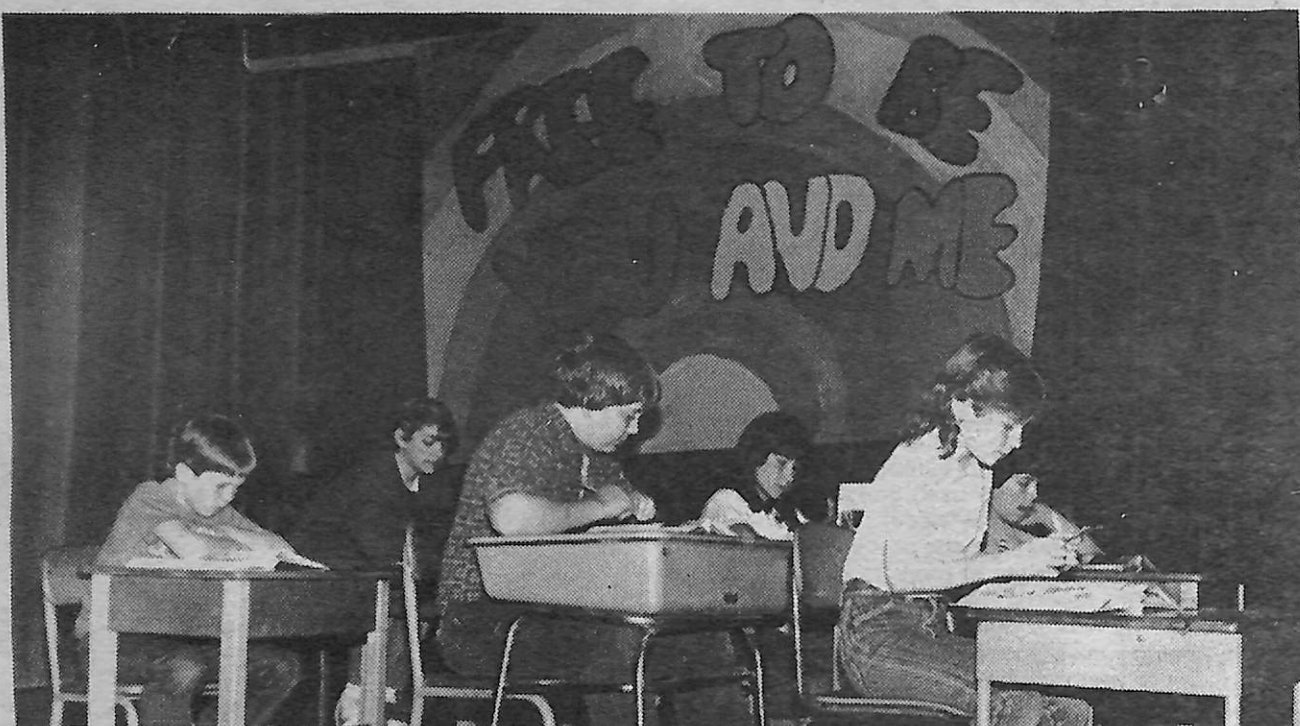
Spiro says that he was very impressed by the cast's dedication and performance.

Hopefully An Annual Event

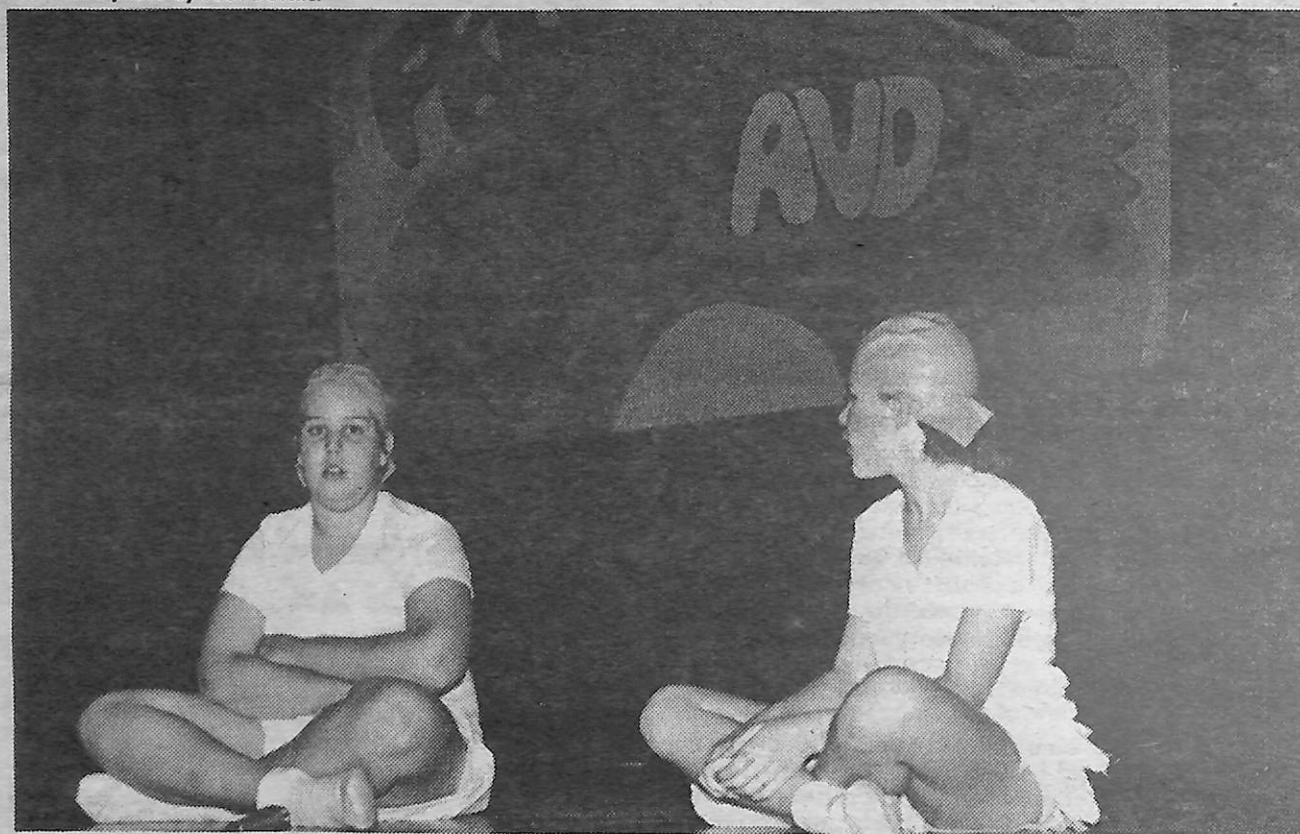
"The students really gave the show all their effort. Everything ran smoothly with our only problems being technical. I feel they did an outstanding job," he declares.

The fifth grade teacher states that he is hopeful the Children's Theater Workshop will become an annual event.

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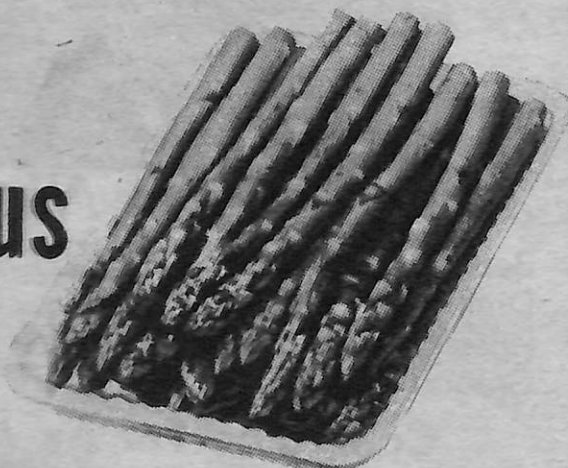


A SPECIAL CHILDREN'S THEATRE PRODUCTION called "Free To Be You And Me" was staged May 8th, 9th, and 10th at three of the town's elementary schools, under the direction of Phelps School teacher Louis Spiro. Some of the students in the production were, from left - Daniel Moriarty, Sandra Albano, Michael Gillis, Sheila Martin, Denise Landry, and Kevin Chrisanthopoulos. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



PHELPS SCHOOL STUDENTS JEREMY CATANIA (left) and CHRISTINE CROWLEY in production of "Free To Be You And Me," staged last week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Native Asparagus

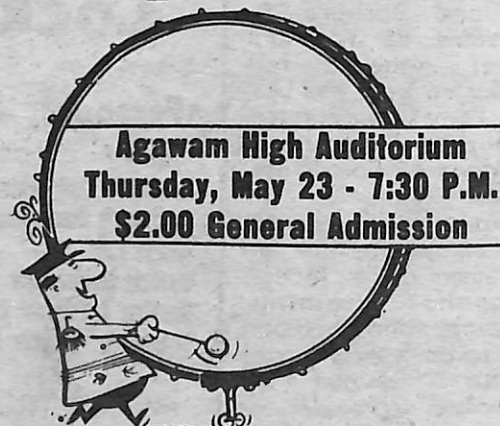


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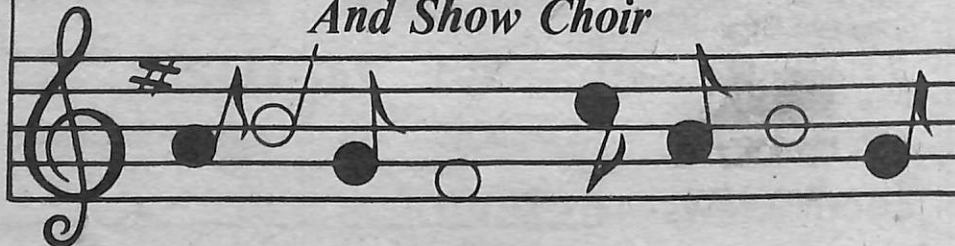
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Clark School Students Know Their ABC's

by Alexis Ferioli
School Department Editor

Knowing one's ABC's is basic for most youngsters. James Clark School students, however, have not only mastered the alphabet, but also have created an art unit entitled "Art is Basic to Children" (ABC).

Developed by elementary art teacher Thais Wright, students created art projects utilizing words, letters, and numbers.

Ms. Wright explains that she has considered initiating an ABC unit for several years and has collected numerous children's alphabet books.

Involved Students In Grades K-5

She points out that the aim of the unit is to make children aware that letters, numbers, and words are merely lines which can be used alone or together to create something artistically visual.

Initiated two months ago, the unit involved students in grades K-5 in a variety of projects.

Ms. Wright reports that kindergartners drew alphabet designs utilizing markers and cray-pas. Besides being fun for them, the project reinforced their knowledge of the alphabet.

Number paintings featuring tempera colors on black paper was one of the projects first graders tackled.

After choosing numbers which meant something special such as ages, birthdates, or street addresses, the youngsters used their imaginations to transform them into pictures.

The first graders also composed silhouette stories utilizing watercolor paints and markers.

For this project, words were used to describe the visual story the silhouettes depicted.

Initials were the focus of a project undertaken by second grade students. Using pastel chalk, the youngsters were asked to think of initials as shapes and add decorative patterns to them.

Beastie stories was the name of another project which required second graders to draw imaginary animals and then describe or tell a story about them.

Third grade pupils learned to draw with words instead of lines as they created calligraphic images.

Block letter designs were the prerequisite to alphabet stitchery banners, which were made from burlap and felt.

Three-dimensional clay sculptures, typography designs, and bas relief alphabet sculptures were just a few of the projects completed by fourth grade pupils.

Ms. Wright relates that fifth graders displayed exceptional talent reproducing calligraphic alphabet pages. She explains that the youngsters not only learned the traditional italic alphabet in creating their pen and ink drawings, but also illustrated one of the words beginning with their letter of choice.

Chinese Multi-Fold Books

Chinese multi-fold alphabet books which featured linoleum block printmaking was the special project of the artistically talented student group, she adds.

The art teacher points out that the ABC unit gave students another view of the alphabet.

"The students were amazed to discover that letters and numbers could be used as an art form. The unit was a different, effective visual experience for them. They were very excited to see each grade's projects displayed together," she remarks.

Parents and visitors to Clark School can view the school-wide ABC unit, which will remain on display in the school's main showcase during the month of May.



JAMES CLARK SCHOOL FOURTH graders Joe Iarrusso (left) and Kathy Harris proudly display three-dimensional clay sculptures which they created as part of a school-wide ABC art unit. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Paul M. Scales Enrolls In Aero Technical School

Paul M. Scales of 80 Reed Street, Agawam, has enrolled at East Coast Aero Technical School, Hanscom Field, Lexington, Massachusetts, where he will prepare for the Federal Aviation Administration examinations to become a licensed technician.

Judith Ferguson Earns Bachelor Of Arts Degree

Judith Ferguson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Ferguson, 165 Cooper Street, was awarded a bachelor of arts degree at commencement exercises at Notre Dame College on Saturday, May 4th. She was magna cum laude.

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Parent To Supervise New Phelps Policy

by Alexis Ferioli
School Department Editor

In an effort to ensure the safety of every student enrolled in Benjamin Phelps School, a new absenteeism policy has been recently instituted.

School Principal William Miller explains that the home of each child absent from school will be called on a daily basis. He notes that previously, homes were called only after a pupil had been absent for three days.

Miller points out that there was a recent attempt to lure a five year-old kindergarten student into a car, while the youngster was waiting at a school bus stop off River Road.

Luckily, the youngster remembered to say no and ran home to report the incident.

Miller notes that many parents are unable to see their children's bus stop from their home, or leave for work before their child leaves for school.

In both instances, these parents assume that their children have boarded the bus and arrived safely at school. Therefore, these parents would not become alarmed about an abduction until after 3:15 p.m., when Phelps school dismisses for the day.

Consequently, six hours time would elapse before authorities could take appropriate action.

Miller reports that parent Judy Jock volunteered to initiate a daily attendance check at Phelps School after hearing about the kidnapping attempt.

Mrs. Jock, whose son Gary is a third grader at Phelps, states that the recent incident, plus the television movie *Adam*, which recounted a child's abduction, prompted her into action.

She relates that the new policy began with parents receiving attendance record slips on which to record their child's name and room number, as well as their home telephone and business telephone.

If a child will be absent from school, parents are asked to call Mrs. Jock between 7:30 to 9:00 a.m., at 789-0846.

The school secretary will then call Mrs. Jock at 9:30 a.m., to confirm absences. If Mrs. Jock has not heard that a child will be absent, the parent will be called at home or at their place of employment.

Although the task is large, Mrs. Jock says that she feels the project is well-worth her time and effort. Next year, however, she is hopeful more parents will volunteer to assist her.

"We hope to establish a system of room volunteers next year. Since the school year is almost over, I don't mind handling the job unassisted. My peace-of-mind is ample reward for now," she states.

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According to him, the large response to this year's endeavor supports his feelings that there is a need for children's theater in Agawam.

"The students thoroughly enjoyed working on this production. They gained knowledge of what theater entails as well as exposure to a live audience. I believe all the hours and hard work were definitely worthwhile," states Spiro.

Cassese U.S. Air Force Law Graduate

Airman Richard D. Cassese, son of Robert M. and Barbara A. Cassese of 12 Hunt Street, Agawam, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force law enforcement specialist course at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

Graduates of the course studied general law enforcement duties, tactics, weapons training, physical apprehension and restraint, and earned credits toward an associate degree in applied science through the Community College of the Air Force.

Cassese is scheduled to serve at Camp Bullis, Texas.

He is a 1984 graduate of Agawam High School.

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FETED BY SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS OF LYNN LAWRENCE at Agawam Junior High, head custodian Dick Child was surprised and delighted by two cakes baked in his honor. On hand to help Child celebrate his 65th birthday were, from left - special education students (standing) John Kostopoulos, Thomas Smigel, Maria Rodriguez, Sue Mushrush, and Ms. Lawrence. Seated - Shirley Noah, Child, and Chris Despirt. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Junior High Students Surprise Dick Childs

by Alexis Ferioli
School Department Editor

Special education students of Lynn Lawrence at Agawam Junior High recently used their culinary talents to surprise head school custodian Dick Child by baking two cakes in honor of his 65th birthday, Wednesday, May 8th.

"Happy Birthday Mr. Child" was the inscription written on handmade cards which the students presented to him during a surprise birthday celebration in the school cafeteria.

Retiring In September

Ms. Lawrence points out that since Mr. Child will be retiring next September, her students wanted to do something special for him.

"Mr. Child is one of the most popular people in the building. He's constantly coming to the aid of some of my students by fixing their wheelchairs. The students wanted something really nice for him to show their appreciation," she states.

Also invited to the early morning celebration were members of the office and cafeteria staff.

According to Ms. Lawrence, the cafeteria staff has been exceptionally kind to her class. She explains that her students use the home economics kitchen once a day for cooking. The cafeteria staff supplies her students with extra government commodities such as flour, so that the youngsters can bake. Other expensive items such as eggs and milk are provided through the special education budget, she adds.

Ms. Lawrence relates that her six students baked two yellow birthday cakes Monday and frosted them Tuesday with a special chocolate icing recipe from her aunt who lives in North Carolina.

She reports that in the recent past, her students have also made pizzas and shared them with 20 fellow schoolmates.

Besides cooking, Ms. Lawrence teaches her pupils

English, social studies, and math.

Alternate Learning Experience

She states that her class provides special education students with an alternate learning experience. Academic topics are not derived strictly from textbooks but rather are tailored to the student's interests and needs.

Although a few students are handicapped, others merely work better in a small classroom setting where they receive more individual attention.

Ms. Lawrence notes that although affiliated with the Lower Pioneer Valley Collaborative Program, the junior high special education class has been developed expressly for the needs of its eighth and ninth grade students.

"Students who would otherwise be academically and socially limited due to their handicap or needs can realize success in this class. Baking for a member of the school staff is just one small way to make them feel a part of the school body," she remarks.

Proud of their culinary accomplishments, Ms. Lawrence's pupils willingly share their recipe for fudge icing with our readers.

AUNT JEAN'S FUDGE ICING

3 cups sugar
3 squares unsweetened chocolate
3 tblsp. corn syrup
1 cup milk
3 tblsp. butter
1 cup ground nuts
1 tsp. vanilla

In a large kettle, mix the first four ingredients. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly. When "softball" stage is reached, add remaining three ingredients. Spread on cooled cake.

Agawam Schools' Lunch Menus

Monday, May 20th: Grilled cheese sandwich, ½ peanut butter sandwich, pickle chips, tossed garden salad with spinach greens and dressing, chilled applesauce, milk.

Tuesday, May 21st: Hamburg in roll, steamed rice, buttered mixed vegetables, mustard, relish, ketchup, chocolate pudding with topping, milk, or fruit cup.

Wednesday, May 22nd: Apple juice, mini cold cut grinder with cheese, lettuce and tomato, chocolate cake with vanilla icing, milk.

Thursday, May 23rd: Mini meatball grinder with cheese topping, buttered diced carrots, white cake with blueberry topping, milk.

Friday, May 24th: Baked fish nuggets, tartar sauce or ketchup, buttered corn, oven potato puffs, ice cream, milk.

Registration Underway For Laughing Brook Day Camp

Laughing Brook Natural History Day Camp, an environmentally-oriented summer day camp for children entering kindergarten to ninth grade, has begun registration for its seventh season. The camp operates at the Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden.

Campers have the opportunity to go on creek crawls, hike, enjoy cookouts, play new games, eat wild edibles, camp overnight, and participate in many other activities designed to allow them to discover more about themselves and the natural environment, and how they fit into it.

There are five camp sessions. Session 1, July 1st to 5th, and Session 3, July 22nd to 26th, are one-week long. Session 2, July 8th to 19th, Session 4, July 29th to August 9th, and Session 5, August 12th to 23rd, are two weeks long.

The Adventures Program, being held from August 12th to 23rd, presents a unique outdoor challenge for students entering seventh to ninth grades. The focus of this two-week program is a five-day backpacking trip in the Berkshire Mountains. Campers will climb mountains, swim in ponds, and explore beautiful waterfalls.

The first week at camp will be the time to learn the information and skills that will be used on the trip — fire building, cooking, tent pitching, orienteering, and ecology of the mountains, forest, ponds and streams.

Membership in Massachusetts Audubon is \$25 per family, and new members may take advantage of the member's discount.

For more information, fees and an application form, write to Laughing Brook Natural History Day Camp, 789 Main Street, Hampden, 01036, or call the center at 566-8034.

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Clark School Brownies Keeping Mass. Clean



BROWNIES FROM JAMES CLARK SCHOOL Troop 544 are participating in a program sponsored by Governor Michael Dukakis entitled "SPIRIT '85". This campaign is aimed at making Massachusetts a cleaner, more beautiful and more hospitable place in which to live or travel. The Brownies spent a meeting day by cleaning up litter from their schoolyard and along one of the side streets. For their participation in the project, each girl will receive a certificate of achievement from Governor & Mrs. Dukakis. Brownies pictured are, from left - Sandy Steward, Brenda Borkosky, and Debby Parslow. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Storowton Village Has Herbal Cooking Class

Storowton Village, West Springfield, will present its popular Herbal Cooking Sampler, a workshop followed by luncheon Monday, May 20th, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., in the lower level of the Meeting House.

June Cook, director of Storowton, and Lynn White, known for her Fireplace Cooking Workshops, will conduct the sampler, which includes menu planning, herb

selection, and cooking procedures. Luncheon will feature hors d'oeuvres, soup, entree, bread, dessert, and beverage. Recipes for all dishes will be provided.

Reservations for the workshop may be made by calling Storowton Village at 787-0136. Cost for the program is \$9 for the general public; \$8.50 for Storowton Village members.



FAMILY NATURALIST

by Kay Kudlinski
Naturalist

When I Grow Up

Over the weekend, we stopped the car by a roadside marsh and watched a Canada goose setting on her eggs while muskrats circled in the twilight waters.

The night was full of the sounds of blackbirds, song sparrows, spring peepers, and a certain pre-schooler. She asked dozens of questions about the animals and birds, gulped down the answers before making a startling announcement.

"When I grow up, I don't want to be an all-the-time ballerina any more. I want to be a nature lady, too."

If my memory is correct, I made the very same decision 30 years ago. Somewhere along the way, the ballet dancing goal was dropped, probably because I saw a reflection of myself in a leotard.

But, I could have been both a ballerina and a naturalist. I did spend several years as a schoolteacher/naturalist. I've been a mother/naturalist and now I am a writer/illustrator/naturalist.

Versed In Natural History

A naturalist is simply "one who is versed in or devoted to natural history." I qualify under both parts of the definition. So does my daughter. So do you, for you are reading this column out of a love of nature and a thirst for information about natural history.

Naturalists don't have to have a degree; they have curiosity. They don't have to love the crawly, slimy side of nature; many naturalists only study song birds, feeding, and observing them from their homes.

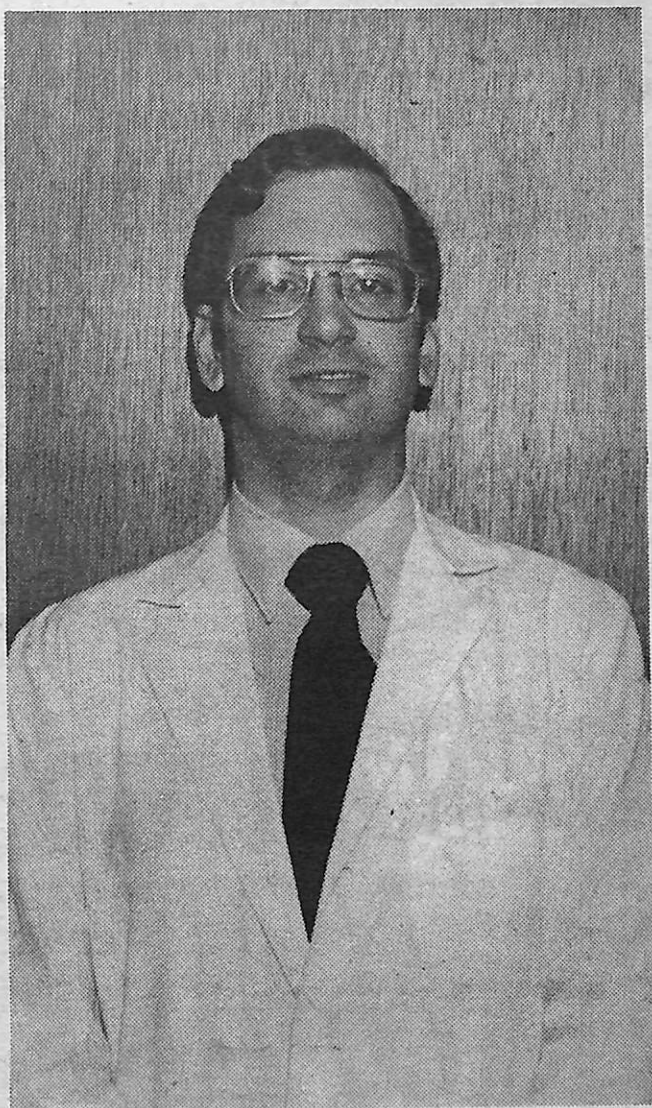
They don't have to be readers, for they can learn from the woods what is written in textbooks.

Naturalists don't have to dedicate entire weekends to nature. Because of my dual career, I'm a naturalist in nibbles of time.

Stopping by a roadside marsh took only a few moments out of our scheduled errands. I've paused our car so we could watch crows clean "road kills," laugh at baby foxes playing at the roadside; and gaze at browsing deer — and still made it to our destination on time.

Nature is everywhere, not just in officially designated parks. I love watching groggy houseflies bumbling around our house as they awaken from hibernating in my window sashes.

NATURE LORE - See Page 25...



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How To Study Effectively, a mini-course designed to help students succeed in college, includes developing proper study habits, scheduling your time, reading efficiently, taking notes, listening effectively, and how to take examinations.

Academic Skills Refresher, a course for individuals who have earned a high school diploma or a Massachusetts Equivalency Certificate, but who need a review of college prep English and Mathematics before beginning college study, meets for a total of 90 hours.

Reading Efficiency, a course designed to ease the transition from casual to serious reading. Students will study the process involved in reading and studying in college. There will be practice with textbooks and test materials.

This course is also suited for students for whom English is a second language, persons who consider

themselves poor readers, and students who need help to strengthen study habits.

Fundamentals of Writing. Basic writing gives students who are not yet ready for English 101 the opportunity to develop the writing skills essential to complete the English requirement (English 101-102) successfully.

Emphasis is on understanding the basic rules of grammar and the fundamentals of essay writing, as well as on developing students' confidence in their writing ability.

Algebra and Geometry I covers topics in Algebra and Geometry necessary for study in more advanced mathematics courses. Course content includes an introduction to algebra, real numbers and algebraic equations, exponents, linear equations, graphing equations and inequalities, products and factors, fractions, and radicals.

Algebra & Geometry II. Course content includes exponents and roots, linear equations, polynomial equations, quadratic equations and inequalities, functions and graphs, exponential and logarithmic functions. Prerequisite: Math 097 (unless excused by math placement exam).

Students may call 538-7000, extension 244, for further information.

Providence Hospital Slates Diabetic Teaching Program

The Providence Hospital Diabetic Teaching Program will present a series of free classes beginning Friday, June 7th, at 7:00 p.m., in the hospital auditorium, room one.

According to Mary Ellen Strzempko, RN, diabetic teaching nurse, classes are open to all diabetics, their families and all other interested persons. No advanced registration is necessary.

Mrs. Strzempko also runs the hospital's blood sugar level testing which is to be held on Thursday, June 13th, from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m., in room one of the auditorium. Those taking the test must fast from midnight.

June 7th: An explanation of diabetes for diabetics, including signs and symptoms.

June 14th: Administration of insulin, reactions, oral medications, and signs of shock and coma.

June 21st: Blood and urine glucose monitoring, more shock and coma discussion. Dr. Robert Fleischer, Springfield podiatrist, will discuss foot care.

June 28th: Cathy O'Brien, RD, clinical dietitian, will discuss diet and the entire program will be reviewed.

Melconian Says Funds Available For College

Close to 44,000 Massachusetts students, more than ever before, are getting state scholarships to help them pay for college this year, according to Senator Linda J. Melconian.

There is a record \$50 million in the State Scholarship Fund, thanks to a \$16 million increase enacted by the Legislature last year.

580 students from Senator Melconian's district are receiving state scholarships for the 1984-1985 school year. Total scholarship aid for the district was \$511,325. The students' awards range from \$360 to \$1,320, depending upon their family resources and their total expenses for college. 1,345 students from Senator Melconian's district applied for a state scholarship this year.

Legislators are considering a bill now that would increase Massachusetts state scholarship aid by \$25 million. This would mean help for 15,000 more Massachusetts students who want to go to college.

Senator Melconian urges students to apply for a state scholarship for the coming school year. Students can use the money to attend state and independent colleges and universities.

Information about how and when to apply for a state scholarship is available from high school guidance counselors, college financial aid officers, and the Massachusetts State Scholarship Office.

The number to call for information from the State Scholarship Office is (617) 727-9420.

Students can also get help with their college plans by calling or visiting the new higher education information center at the Boston Public Library.

The center provides college financial aid and admissions information and application forms. The number to call is (800) 442-1171 toll free.

Cynthia Carpenter To Graduate From North Adams State

Miss Cynthia J. Carpenter, daughter of Herbert and Jean Carpenter of 99 Memorial Drive, Feeding Hills, will graduate June 1st, from North Adams State College with a degree in molecular biology.

She is a 1981 graduate of Agawam High School. She has participated in intramural sports and the Outing Club while at North Adams State College.

Metropolitan YMCA To Hold Big Tag Sale May 19th

The Metropolitan Springfield YMCA Leaders Corps will be conducting a yard sale on Saturday, May 18th, and Sunday, May 19th, at Paucatuck Park, located on Dewey Street in West Springfield. It will be run both days in the Y's parking lot.

The purpose of this sale is to raise funds for the leaders' trip to the National Leaders Corps Convention at the University of Ohio in June.

Persons wishing to donate sale items may call the YMCA at 739-6951, extension 254, and ask for Mike or Dave. The YMCA will make home pickups the week prior to the sale.

NATURE LORE - From Page 24...

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While allergy is a broad category, the symptoms are generally considered to be the result of excessive histamine levels from tissue breakdown in the presence of an irritant. The irritants can be pollen, dust, fungi, cosmetics, animal dandruff, etc., and are usually a type of protein. These are called antigens.

Allergies can make a particular season unbearable. Dealing effectively with your allergy can be frustrating. Numerous over-the-counter products or prescriptions provide only temporary relief at best.

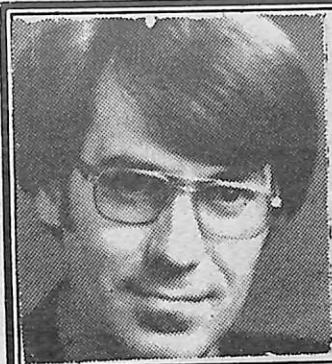
When the drug wears off, the symptoms again return. Unfortunately, the underlying cause of the problem is not being corrected by these products. Many have detrimental side effects.

It is important to understand that it is normal for a variety of antigens (proteins, pollens, dust, etc.) to exist in our environment. The normal healthy body effectively neutralizes the antigens. When this fails to happen, we have our allergy sufferers. Once this is understood, it is possible to understand why doctors of chiropractic can successfully help many people with allergies after other approaches have failed.

As a past allergy sufferer, I saw many types of doctors for a condition that began in my teens and got progressively worse. The spring and summer months were no longer my favorite time of year. I began to dread their approach.

Finally, after a lot of money and a lot of medical experts, I visited with a doctor of chiropractic and the cause was found. Within a relatively short period of time, my allergies were much improved.

Problems in the spine, especially the upper spine, may impair the proper function of the nerve system. The result may be the allergic problems described above. A chiropractic examination could reveal a previously undetected problem and allow the cause to be removed.



YOUR DENTAL HEALTH

By Dr. Stephen Jacapraro
DMD

The Dental Exam

Many people wonder as they enter a new practice how the dentist examines a new patient. After taking the patient's complete medical history, the dentist will examine lips, teeth, tongue, roof and floor of mouth, jaws and upper throat, and the neck and surrounding areas.

The dentist does this with the help of fingers, eyes, ears and nose as well as various specially-designed instruments — probes, explorers, light, mirrors, and x-ray machine.

Lab Tests May Be Used

The patient is asked to open and close his/her mouth so the dentist can examine the bite and to see how jaw and joints function while chewing. Most likely, x-rays will be taken to uncover any hidden cavities, gum disease and other problems not seen by the naked eye.

Sometimes, when indicated, lab tests may be done to pinpoint the cause of a less obvious problem.

All findings are marked on the patient's chart — cavities, missing teeth if any, gum condition and more — to guide subsequent treatment. During the first visit, the dentist or hygienist will probably do a scaling and prophylaxis for the patient.

"Scaling" simply stands for the ways plaque, tartar (calculus) or stain are removed from the teeth. Chances are, you've had your teeth scaled by the dentist or dental hygienist many times, and probably think of it under the broad category of "cleaning."

Great Range Of Instruments

There is a great range of instruments designed expressly for this purpose, so dentists have a wide choice of ways to gain access to all tooth points above the gumline.

It takes a light, careful touch to remove tartar buildup from below the gumline since, for much of this part of the treatment, the material being removed is not visible to the dentist. Removal of plaque and calculus below the gum is commonly called "curettage."

Sunglasses Are More Important Than You Think

by Dr. Richard W. Gallerani
Feeding Hills Optometrist

Americans spend approximately \$800 million a year on sunglasses. Yet, few know much about what they are buying. As a result, many people probably do not have the sunglass lens that is best for their eyes.

Sunglasses have two major purposes: to protect the eyes from the sun's harmful rays, and to provide comfortable vision by reducing the amount of light and glare reaching the eyes.

Of these two functions, protection is now being recognized as the most important.

Infrared And Ultraviolet Radiation

Sunlight contains both infrared and ultraviolet radiation. The eye's natural defense provides sufficient infrared protection for almost everyone under normal seeing conditions. Ultraviolet radiation is a different story, however.

Much of the sun's ultraviolet radiation is absorbed by the eye's lens, located inside the eye behind the pupil. While this natural protection is sufficient for some people under ordinary outdoor seeing conditions, recent research indicates that a growing number of people may need added ultraviolet protection in their sunglasses.

People who have had cataract surgery should definitely wear sunglasses with maximum ultraviolet protection. Since the eye's lens is removed during

surgery exposing the retina (the sensitive inside part of the eye used for seeing), there is the potential for damage from direct ultraviolet radiation.

People whose lifestyles expose them to greater than normal levels of ultraviolet radiation should also wear sunglasses with extra protection. This is because recent research has uncovered a possible link between long term daily exposure to small amounts of ultraviolet radiation and the development or acceleration of cataracts.

These include persons who spend most of their time outdoors, live in high altitude areas, or work near snow, sand or water.

Types Of Lenses Available

There are three types of sun lenses available today: tinted, photochromic (light sensitive), and polarizing. Depending on individual needs, one lens type might be better suited than the others.

The American Optometric Association says sunglasses should screen out 75 to 90 percent of available sunlight and be made of quality glass or plastic.

Whether or not a person currently wears prescription lenses, it is a good idea to obtain a thorough eye examination before investing in sunglasses.

The examination also gives the consumer an opportunity to seek the optometrist's advice about what type of lens is best for his or her eyes and lifestyle.

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Noble Hospital Sponsors Support Group For Back Pain

A support group for people with chronic neck and back pain will meet in the Noble Hospital Staff Development Office on Tuesday, May 21st, at 7:30 p.m.

The speaker will be Jody Gallant, acting director of the hospital's Physical Therapy Department.

The group plans to hold monthly meetings that focus on relieving pain and coping with associated emotional problems. Speakers from various health care backgrounds will be featured.

Our health page is published as a public service to our readership and is a regular feature!

What do the American Cancer Society, Noble Hospital and area pharmacists have in common?

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Colorectal cancer kills more people than auto accidents—nearly 60,000 men and women every year. With early detection and treatment, however, the chance of beating this dread disease is very favorable.

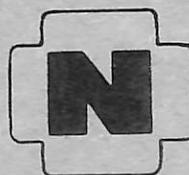
For the next two weeks, we're conducting a special campaign on stool blood kits to help detect colorectal cancer. The American Cancer Society is providing the kits free, a group of area pharmacists are distributing them through their stores, and Noble Hospital is processing the tests and mailing the results at no charge.

Who should take the test? People who:

- are over 40 years old.
- have a close blood relative who has had colorectal cancer.
- have a personal or family history of gastrointestinal disorders such as ulcerative colitis, Crohn's disease, Gardner's syndrome or familial polyposis.
- have had intestinal polyps.
- have had colorectal cancer or some other form of cancer.

If any of these descriptions fit you, please pick up your free kit at one of the participating pharmacies listed below. The kits will be available from May 13 through May 27.

Atwood Drug, Inc. 427 North Elm St., Westfield; Feeding Hills Pharmacy, 1350 Springfield St., Feeding Hills; Genovese Drug Store, 11 River Rd., Westfield; Rite Aid, 48 Elm St., Westfield; Shoppers Drug, 425 East Main St., Westfield and 615 College Highway, Southwick; Towne Pharmacy, 65 Southwick Rd., Westfield; and Westfield Pharmacy, 65 Franklin St., Westfield.



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Sports

Massoia's Blast Leads Frosh Baseball To Upset Of Amherst

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor

In what coach Lou Conte termed "one of the most exciting games I've ever seen," the Agawam frosh baseball team upset undefeated Amherst, 6-3 in an 11 inning marathon at the junior high field on Monday, May 13th.

B.J. Massoia drilled a three-run homer with two out in the bottom of the 11th to sent the home folks into delirium.

The Warriors were coming off a 11-5 win over East Longmeadow on Friday, May 10th, behind the consistent pitching of Dean Proakis.

"This was such an exciting game. Both teams played very well, but we hung-on for a little more," said an elated Conte after Massoia crossed the plate as his screaming teammates raced to congratulate him.

"There were several clutch plays for us defensively, and we had fine pitching. I'll remember this game for a long time," Conte added.

The victory was also sweetened because it was of the come-from-behind variety. Before Massoia's heroics, the Warriors erased a 3-0 deficit with an Alan Boucher two-run double. Proakis then squeezed home Boucher for the tying run. This all happened in the bottom of the fourth.

It remained 3-3 all the way to the eleventh inning.

The Warriors' defensive was highlighted by two outstanding pitching performances. Starter Peter Vecchiarelli used his strength and imposing frame on the mound to whiff eight, while allowing just two hits in eight innings.

Bob Regish, in relief of Vecchiarelli, enjoyed a stellar performance in relief. In the top of the tenth, Regish faced a bases-loaded situation with no outs. He then reached back and struckout the next two hitters.

Shortstop Proakis then made a "major league play," according to Conte. He stopped a rocket and then threw the batter out.

The top of the 11th will be remembered by a pick-off play that worked. It was formulated by Regish to second baseman Dan Czepiel, thereby denying Amherst of the potential to score the go-ahead run.

In Agawam's half of the inning, Boucher led-off with a double and went to third on a passed ball. Proakis followed with a walk and Jim Anderson hit a bloop single to right, but somehow, Amherst managed to nail Boucher at the plate when he tried to score from third.

Amherst's jubilation of stopping Boucher from scoring quickly turned to near-tears when Massoia launched his three-run shot.

In the pounding of East Longmeadow, Proakis raised his pitching record to 3-0, while Mike Egan had three hits and Frank Moccio and Anderson each rapped two.

The Warriors travel to Chicopee on Friday, May 17th, and to Ludlow on Tuesday, May 21st.

Oak Ridge Golf Tourney To Benefit Leukemia Society

The Western Massachusetts Chapter of the Leukemia Society of America will benefit from a golf tournament being held at Oak Ridge Golf Club, Feeding Hills, on Wednesday, May 22nd.

The tournament will have a shotgun start at 11:30 a.m., and is open to men and women.

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The rain date will be Wednesday, May 29th.

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Amherst Throws Wrench Into AHS' Wheel

by Judith Kelliher

Advertiser News Sports Editor

The Agawam High baseball team saw their chance to be sole possessor of second place in the Valley Wheel slip away when a passed ball in the bottom of the seventh allowed Amherst Regional's Mike McIntosh to score the game-winner.

Once this happened, the Hurricanes took a dramatic, 5-4 victory on Monday, May 13th, at the Hurricanes' home field.

Prior to this, the hard-hitting Brownies had pummeled and battered East Longmeadow, 19-7 to pick-up their fourth Valley Wheel win in a row on Friday, May 10th.

At presstime, Agawam is tied for second place with Amherst. Both are 5-2. They Brownies (7-5 overall) were scheduled to face league-leader Minnechaug Regional of Wilbraham (7-0 league/11-0 overall) in a key contest played at Harmon Smith Field on Wednesday, May 15th.

To say the least, the Brownies faced a must-win

situation on Wednesday if they entertained any further thoughts of taking the Valley Wheel this year.

"It was not a very good way to lose a ballgame," said a disappointed coach Jerry Smith after the Amherst loss. "Amherst played an excellent defensive game, while we fell apart defensively. We needed to win this game to stay close to Minnechaug. Now, the pressure is really on us."

The loss was made more frustrating because the Brownies outthit Amherst, the defending Valley Wheel champs, 10-5.

In fact, the Brownies recorded the most hits off Hurricane ace Jud Damon than any other team this year. Prior to this, the most hits allowed by Damon was three.

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Brownies' Track Loses 5th Straight

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor

A 78-67 setback to Holyoke High was the Agawam High boys' track team's fifth straight loss on Monday, May 14th, and their fourth of the season by that identical score.

The Brownies were also on the short end of a 73-72 loss to Westfield on Thursday, May 9th, giving them a 3-5 record at presstime.

The question of depth certainly comes into play when reviewing the recent batch of AHS setbacks.

Coach Gus Young's squad has one regular season meet with Chicopee Comp on Monday, May 20th, and the Valley League Individual Meet before that on Saturday, May 18th.

The Brownies captured nine first places with seniors Al Ingham and Dave Bartnik each recording two first places. The burly Ingham took both the shot put (47'8") and discus (117'2"). The versatile Bartnik was tops in the 120-high hurdles (16.6) and high jump (6 feet). Bartnik had set his personal best mark in the high jump of 6'4" vs. Minnechaug on May 3rd.

While the highlights were few for Agawam, one impressive performance came from sophomore Jon Corso. The distance specialist set the best time in the mile for all of Western Mass. this year with a 4:35.8.

Other first place winners for the Brownies were Nick Paquette, who outclassed the 880-yard field with a time of 2:08.8; Mike Lemay won his seventh two-mile race in 10:15.3; and Matt Lawrence took the pole vault (9 feet).

Agawam's mile relay team of Todd Jediny, Paquette, Corso, and Bob Allen raced to a first place with a time of 3:53.5.

Agawam had a handful of other point-getters, including Vinnie Cardaropoli, who finished second in the 100 (11.6), and the 220-yard dash (25.33); Jediny took third in the 880 (2:23.3); Allen finished second in the 440-yard dash (56.1); Bartnik took third in the triple jump (37'3"); and Jeff Hastings (9 feet) and Joe Cini (8 feet) completed the sweep of the pole vault.

Westfield's mile relay team (3:54.5) easily defeated Agawam's squad (4:02.2) in the final event of the meet to escape with a one-point margin of victory.

The meet see-sawed as each team grabbed the lead. The Brownies' big point-getters were Bartnik and Paquette. Each took two first place finishes as well as a second. The consistent Ingham notched two second places.

The Bombers were paced by Bill Mason, who took three first places.

Dolly Sisters Continue To Play Well In PVJSL

The Dolly Sisters under-14 girls PVJSL had a busy week, playing three games.

Last Monday, May 6th, the girls met West Springfield and came away with a 2-0 shutout. Melissa Blackburn and Tracey Sitek were standouts on defense.

On Thursday, May 9th, the Dolly Sisters gave up a costly tie to always-tough Brookside, 2-2. Missy DesRosiers sparked the offense in this one.

On Sunday, May 12th, Westfield came to town. After a scoreless first half, Agawam put it together with four goals to put the game away, 4-0. Jennifer Crane recorded her second goal of the season, and Jennifer Scaggs sparked at outside halfback.



AGAWAM HIGH POLE VAULTER MATT LAWRENCE misses on this try to clear the bar in schoolboy track action last week at Harmon Smith Field. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



JEFF HASTINGS makes good on this attempt during Agawam's close, 73-72 loss to Westfield at Harmon Smith Field on Thursday, May 9th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Richies Air Takes Opener Of Round 2

Richie's Air Conditioning under-16 boys PVJSL team was awesome as they blanked Wilbraham last Sunday morning, 6-0. For goalie Jeff Barker it was his third shutout. The team now is 5-0-1 and is in sole possession of first place.

Game MVP honors went to Rick Parolo and Rich Gove.

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AHS Tennis Move To First Place In Division B

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Agawam High School's number one singles player, senior Steve Oberle, toughed-out a three-set victory over East Longmeadow's Matt Denucci to clinch an exciting, 3-2 schoolboy victory for the Brownies on Monday, May 13th (away).

The win raised Agawam's Division B record to 10-1 (10-2 overall) at presstime, giving them sole possession of first place.

The Brownies are on their way to posting the school's best season on the courts.

In previous Brownie tennis action, they were on the winning end of a key 3-2 decision over Holyoke on Thursday, May 9th. And in another close call, they rode a three-set triumph by number two doubles team Jim Puhala/Todd Couture to grab a 3-2 win over Minnechaug Regional on Wednesday, May 8th.

It was the Brownies' eighth straight Division B win when they downed EL. The locals also dropped EL on April 19th.

Oberle, on a roll of late, outlasted the talented Denucci, 4-6, 7-6 (7-5), 6-2. Denucci has only lost four matches in his schoolboy career.

According to AHS coach Rick Hayden, it was Oberle's physical stamina that enabled him to surpass Denucci in the third set.

"The first two sets were very close, but it was obvious that Steve was in much better physical condition. He just ripped Denucci apart in the third set," said Hayden.

Undefeated freshman Chris Ollari streaked to his 12th victory with a 6-3, 6-2 decision over Brian Stevens in third singles.

First doubles Jeff Dietschler and Bob Coelln easily handled Matt Donatelle and Jeff Lederer 6-4, 6-2 to round-out Agawam's winners.

Number two singles Mike Jemiolo fell in a three-set match to Mike Meyers 3-6, 7-6 (7-5), 0-6. It was the first time, however, that Jemiolo ever took a set from Meyers.

In another three-set match, number two doubles Puhala/Couture lost a tough 6-4, 3-6, 5-7 match to Scott Miller/Bennie DiMichele.

Against Holyoke, Oberle led the way with a 6-2, 6-0 victory over Todd Cushman, while Ollari whipped Mark Florio 6-0, 6-2. The duo of Dietschler/Coelln triumphed over Ron Deschires and Kevin Cyr 6-3, 6-2.

The win over Minnechaug was highlighted by another outstanding performance by Puhala/Couture. They took an important 6-4, 6-7 (3-7), 6-3 victory over Brad Miner and Neil Flynn.

The hot Oberle beat the Falcons' Scott Langford for the first time ever 6-3, 6-1.

"It was a hardfought match against Langford for Steve, even if the score didn't indicate it," said Hayden. "Steve had to work for it. He gained that edge of confidence to finally beat Langford," noted Hayden.

Agawam hosts Classical High on Thursday, May 16th (presstime) and Chicopee Comp on Monday, May 20th.

For coverage of local sporting events, please call us at 786-7747 & ask for Judy Kelliher, our sports editor

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The actually comes as no surprise to Agawam loyalists. The Brownies are earning a big reputation with the bats in 1985, as pitching and defense are their Achilles Heel.

With the score knotted at 4-4 going into the bottom of the seventh, the Hurricanes turned an apparent strikeout into a game-winning run.

Agawam pitcher Ron Viens, no doubt the team's bread and butter man on the hill, whiffed lead-off batter Paul White. McIntosh was then hit by a pitch, moving White to second.

Next, Damon lined-out to Viens for the second out. Then came the clincher. A wild pitch to Alan Curran advanced McIntosh to third base. Then, a third strike to Curran bounced off the top of catcher Paul Scoville's glove and the winning run crossed the plate.

In going the distance, the victimized Viens fanned 12, allowed five hits, and walked four. He had three catchers during the game - Pete Sibilia, Tony Moccio, and Scoville.

"Viens pitched a good game but he was hurt on plays that should've been easily handled, said Smith.

Before the Brownies were stabbed in the heart in the seventh, they were behind, 4-2 going into their last at-bats.

Pinch-hitter Bob Barbarini lead-off Agawam's half of the seventh with a single. Sophomore hitting star Bob Altobelli (3-3) blasted a triple to score Barbarini. Ed Mutti, another big stick, sent home Altobelli with an RBI single. Mutti had also driven home two runs in the fifth.

Against East Longmeadow, it was a totally different story at Harmon Smith Field. The Brownies' bats made mince-meat of several Spartan pitchers. They scored in every inning, including six in the fourth.

Shortstop Bob Wing led the hitting parade with two triples, a double, and a single (2 RBI's). Mutti, the team's RBI leader with 15, had four safeties. Altobelli's four RBI's upped his total to 13. Tom Murphy also plated three runs.

After the Minnechaug game, the Brownies will take on Northampton on Friday, May 17th (away), and host Ludlow on Tuesday, May 21st.

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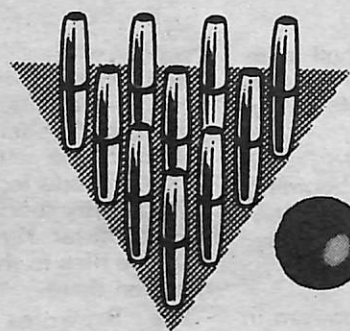
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CATHY LANDRY prepares to unload on a pitch during softball play last week for Agawam High. Advertiser

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LEAH NEGRUCCI is all business during schoolgirl softball action last week at Harmon Smith Field. Advertiser

News photo by Jack Devine.

Brownie Bats Silent After Two Explosions

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The bats of the Agawam High school softball team issued the sounds of silence as Northampton pitcher Lisa Bouthilette held the hard-hitting Brownies to just five safeties in a 4-2 loss for AHS on Tuesday, May 14th, at sunny and breezy Harmon Smith Field.

Before this loss, the Brownie bats were booming when they downed East Longmeadow, 10-2 on Monday, May 13th, and crushed Classical, 23-1 on Friday, May 10th.

There wasn't much to cheer about for Agawam in the first five innings of play. They stranded four runners and were barely able to get the ball out of the infield, except for hits by Cari Brown, Gina Letellier, and Shelly Gingras.

Meanwhile, the Blue Devils got on the board in the first inning (1-0) when hot-hitting Pam Daughdrill nailed a bases-loaded RBI single to rightfield. Daughdrill connected again in the third, this time for a solo homer over the rightfielder's head, giving them a 2-0 lead.

Senior Darlene Vignato went all seven innings on the mound for Agawam as she recorded six strikeouts, including a key one with the bases loaded in the top of

the sixth.

But, consecutive RBI singles by Mary Ann Keating and Daughdrill upped Northampton's lead to 4-0.

Agawam's offense showed a brief sign of life in the bottom of the sixth. They scored their only runs after Kathy Przeszlo led-off with a single to centerfield and Trish Landry reached first on a bunt.

Pinch-hitter Kim Cascio and Vignato both sent sacrifice flies to the outfield, plating two runs. The rally ended there.

The Brownies went down one-two-three in the bottom of the seventh.

Against EL, the Brownies unloaded three runs in the first and five in the second inning to run away with the lop-sided victory.

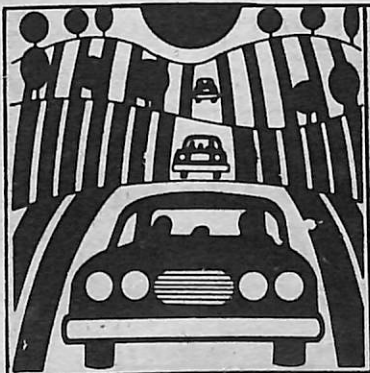
Lisa Caron knocked in two runs, while Przeszlo and Gingras each rapped an RBI.

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Home Country Club Proves Bountiful For Brownie Golfers

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The Crestview Country Club on Shoemaker Lane, the home course of the Agawam High golf team, proved to be a big advantage in two recent outings. They beat Minnechaug Regional of Wilbraham for the first time ever on Monday, May 13th, 9.5-8.5, and downed Longmeadow on Friday, May 9th, 12.5-5.5.

The Brownies are 5-0 at home this season.

Coach Paul Bachini's squad sports an overall record of 6-3 and remained tied for second place in the Valley Wheel with Minnechaug at 4-3. Longmeadow and EL each have two losses and are tied for first place.

In the pressure-filled match vs. Minnechaug, it came down to the last hole to determine the winner. Agawam held a slim 8-7 lead going into the last match-up, needing just 1.5 points to clinch the win.

Tony Cichetti parred the 18th hole to earn the points and lifted the Brownies to the winner's circle.

"It was really exciting at the end of the match. We all knew Tony needed to get the points to win it for us, so you could feel the tension. But, he came through and we finally beat Minnechaug," beamed Bachini.

Besides Cichetti's clutch work, Rick Leal (73), Wayne Leal (79) and a personal best by Rob James (75) helped the Brownies set the table for Cichetti.

The win by Wayne Leal was his ninth individual win in a row. He remains the only undefeated player for Agawam. James is second with a superb 8-1 record.

Against the talented Longmeadow squad, who had stopped AHS in the seasonal opener, the Brownies were in complete command on their home course.

Ricky Leal played an outstanding round of 79 to tie Buddy Sumner, the league's premier linkster.

Wayne Leal shot a 75 while James fired a 77. Greg Larouche picked-up two points for his round of 83.

Agawam has three matches left, including two away contests vs. South Hadley (Thursday, May 16th-presstime) and Ludlow, Monday, May 20th. They close the regular season with a home contest vs. East Longmeadow on Thursday, May 23rd.

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MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL BOOSTER CLUB are pictured making posters for the upcoming Pancake & Sausage Breakfast on Sunday, May 19th, at the Agawam Middle School. There will be continuous serving all morning. Standing, from left - Joan Sieczkowski and Audrey Chausse. Seated - Lou Kunasek, Sue Viens, and Carol Wing.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

S.H.A.A. Boys' 14-16 Baseball Roundup

May 7th: Collins Construction outlasted Donlita, 6-4, as starter Chris Wood and reliever Pete Borey combined for a one-hitter. Wood and Eric Early each had two-run homers to help Collins' cause.

Good fielding plays by Eric Burnette, Rick Mesick, and Eric Brumley kept Collins out front to stay. Mark Charest struck out six and gave up just four hits to go the distance for Donlita. He also had the only hit for his team. A good fielding play by Bob Beaulieu kept the score close.

May 8th: The Agawam Opticians edged out the Agawam Lions Club 7-6, with a run-scoring double by Frank Buoniconti to help himself to the win. Dana Delskey, Scott Mazza, Billy Moccio, and Sean Grealis each singled to drive in the rest of the Optician runs.

Scott Bracci scored two runs.

May 9th: Collins Construction made it two in a row, beating the Agawam Lions Club, 3-0. Peter Borey and Eric Brunette hit back-to-back solo homers in the first and that was all that Eric Brumley needed to hold the Lions Club.

The shutout was made possible by great fielding from Rob Morin and Chris Wood. Tim Tlusty looked good on the mound for the Lions Club, striking out 10 while giving up only four hits.

May 10th: The Agawam Opticians lost a close one to Donlita, 3-1. Jason Osborne pitched a one-hitter and struck out six, but went down in defeat. Scott Bracci and Mike Smith each had doubles, and Jason Osborne hit a single.

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SPORTSMAN'S CORNER

by Bill Chiba

Almost But Not Quite!

On a recent excursion to Littleville for some trout fishing and with thoughts of winding up with a hefty catch of perch, Angelo Borgatti and Tony Pisano almost hit it rich. While trolling across in front of the dam, Tony hooked a trout with a tag attached to its back. It was the only trout they caught all day. Two days before the trout was worth \$5,000. The lucky-unlucky fishermen split \$50, the worth of the fish after the derby.

The \$10,000 trout stocked in Congamond Lakes for the Rotarian Derby is still swimming around. His present worth is \$200 if caught by a registered derby fisherman and only \$100 if caught by an unregistered fisherman. So, there is still gold in those local waters. If you catch the prized brown, bring it to Saunders Marina.

Shad Fishing At Its Height

The shad are coming up the Connecticut River by the thousands. Last Friday, I was invited to fish for the hard-fighting fish from a boat. I had fished for the feisty demon from shore but never from a boat and it was quite an experience.

Rex Hryniewicz from Westfield called and extended the invitation. We used his boat and I used my four-wheel truck to trailer it to South Hadley. We put the boat in just below the South Hadley Bridge. The ramp is a steep cut of sand down to the river. We needed the four-wheel truck to launch the boat and to take it out of the water.

We anchored off shore where the current of the main stream and the current from the power company met. It proved to be a hot spot. I no sooner flipped out my line with a yellow and white colored dart on it and a shad made off with it.

It was a large doe and she fought a good five minutes, darting one way and then the other, with the current of the water giving her added strength before we could attempt to net her. My wrist on the right arm was aching, just after fighting with the first fish.

Both shores of the river were covered with fishermen. It was quite a sight. The river was dotted with boats. I counted 35 at one time during the afternoon. Fishermen were using canoes, ten foot dinghies and boats of all lengths.

The shad would arrive in schools. The first indication of a school arriving would be the farthest fisherman on shore bringing in fish. Then the boats would have fish on most of the time.

Shad could be seen swimming on top of the water going right out past boats headed for the dam. Then, as if by some magic formula, Rex and I had on fish at the same time. After my 10th fish, I decided this was work; then I had on, and lost, nine fish in a row.

Rex couldn't figure that one out. I could. I found that if I gave the fish slack line just after the initial hit, it would slip the hook and be on its merry way. It didn't work all the time and I ended up hooking and releasing 19 fish. Rex released over 20.

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St. Louis Tunes-Up For Playoffs By Bashing G-Town In Bowling

Much to the chagrin of AL "The Fearsome One" MOCCIO, his team was used as the stomping block for first place St. Louis (36½ wins) en route to their scheduled playoff tilt vs. Boston College and Villanova.

St. Lou crushed G-Town (8th place-19 wins), three wins to one. Going into the grand championships which took place on Monday, May 13th, St. Lou had to be considered the big favorite. BC would be seeded second and Villanova, third.

In the G-Town win, St. Lou was led by JOHN MLINEK (297), known as the "mudflapper" to start things off. Also, St. Lou was headed by RENEE JURY (311), FELIX PEPPER (320), and captain DEBBIE POIRIER (319). Moccio rolled a 327 to beat Debbie, but that was Al's only consolation in a long and gruesome season for his once proud team.

BOBBY MOCCIO, the candidate for the league's most valuable bowler, fired a 383 to lead BC (2nd place-32½ wins) to an easy, three-and-a-half to one-half victory over those Villanova rollers. Moccio ended with a superb average of 115.3. He crowned Villanova captain FRANK "The Lordly Barber" RESCIGNO by nearly 50 pins (338), and that score was a big one for old Frankie.

Also taking victories for BC were substitute BRENDA MLINEK (234), and MICHAEL O'CONNELL JR. (301). The only Villanova winner was ERNIE BLAIR (299).

While Frankie was talking a big game after the match, all indications at presstime point to a major downfall for Villanova in the playoffs.

St. Michael capped off a good season in third place this round (24½ wins) by blasting last place St. Mary (14 wins), three wins to one.

In the winner's circle for St. Mike's were PAULINE DEPALO (266) and JANICE MOCCIO (281). Audrey Phillips took an individual match (281) in holding-off STEP STEPANIAN (262). Audrey is still uncertain about her plans on the league banquet. C'mon Audrey. We want to see you there! Reliable St. Mary's captain FRED MORASSI deep-sixed St. Mike's captain MIKE O'CONNELL, 306-291.

Notre Dame (11th place-14½ wins) stayed out of the cellar again by upsetting fourth place Fordham (23½ wins), three wins to one. ND, a doormat for most teams since last September, was led by acting captain BILLY

COLSON (321), substitute CHERYL PRZESZLO (322), and ESTHER DEPALO (275). The only winner for Fordham was steady KATHY CARVILL, the former roller for Georgetown.

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Agawam Little League Baseball Standings (Through May 10th)

Major Division First Round

Police Association Orioles
Rollaway Mets
Mushy's Yankees
Langone's Red Sox
Soda City Dodgers
Carpet Shed Indians

3 1
3 1
3 2
2 1
1 4
0 3

May 8th: Orioles 6 - Yankees 4: In a 6-4 ballgame, Mike Borey turned in a fine pitching performance for the Orioles by striking out 14 Yankee batters. He then contributed offensively by driving in three Oriole runs with two doubles.

Also hitting for the Orioles was Bill Vogel with a triple and double, and John Battista with a key two-run double. Dave Campbell stopped a threat by the Yankees when he made a two-out catch in rightfield, with two Yankee runners.

May 10th: Red Sox 8 - Orioles 3: The Red Sox beat the previously undefeated Orioles, 8-3. The Red Sox led 2-0 after three innings in a tightly-played contest. The Red Sox then batted around in the fourth inning, plating five runs. The Orioles scored twice in their half of the fourth, resulting in a 7-2 Red Sox advantage from which the Orioles could not recover.

Red Sox standouts included pitcher Tim St. John, who continually got himself into trouble issuing walks, but was able to battle out each jam by registering 14 strikeouts.

Swinging big bats for the Red Sox were Armand Berthiaume, (3-4, with a double and a triple); Rick Henry, (two hits including a triple); Brian McCarthy and Tim St. John, (two hits each); and Ernie Grasso, (RBI single).

Outstanding Oriole players included John Battista with 3-4, including a triple, and great defensive work in the field. Bill Vogel played a fine third base.

May 10th: Yankees 8 - Dodgers 5: The Yankees and the Dodgers clashed for the second time this season and the Yankees came out on top, 8-5.

The Yankees jumped to an early lead in the top of the first, thanks to three straight walks and an RBI single by Mike Sibilia. The Dodgers came back in the bottom of the first with three. Danny Fugiel accounted for two of the runs when he rifled a homer over the rightfield fence. The Yankees finally took the game away in the top of the fifth, scoring three runs.

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| "A" Division | W | L | T |
|----------------------|---|---|---|
| Desi's Place | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Village Lounge | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Buccaneer-Red | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Polish Club | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| W.S. Legion 207 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Buccaneer-Gold | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Curran/Jones | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| "B" Division | | | |
| Billy T's | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Elbow Lounge | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Sliech Auto Body | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Supreme Courts | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Building 451 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| Southworth Paper Co. | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| Bad News Bears | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| Agawam Moose Club | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| Bay State Medical | 0 | 4 | 0 |

Agawam Men's Softball Standings

| "A" Division | W | L | T |
|----------------------|---|---|---|
| Dick Joseph | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Tavern Inn | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Village Lounge | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Dante Club | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Walls Sports | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Showcase Int'l | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| "B" National | | | |
| Desi's Place | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Grimaldi Oilers | 4 | 1 | 0 |
| Teddy Bear Pools | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| F. H. Public Mkt. | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| Court House | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| Tavern Inn | 3 | 2 | 0 |
| Dillons Lounge | 3 | 2 | 0 |
| G. M. Enterprises | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Gino's Package | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Jessica's Lounge | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Agawam Moose | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Broadleaf Auto Sales | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| Antonio's Pizza | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Pond/Ekberg | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Adriatic Club | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| "B" American | | | |
| K of C | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| Down East Variety | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| Bogey's | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Tickets Unlimited | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Buccaneer Lounge | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Tri County Sales | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Jiffy Lube | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Parrota's Service | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Abbett Tax Service | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Grimaldi Oilers | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Farm Credit Bank | 0 | 4 | 0 |

BOWLERS FROM PAGE 32...

St. Anselm (6th place-22 wins), last year's grand champions, managed to bash Loyola (7th place-21 wins), three wins to one. St. A's had its chances in the first and second rounds for the title, but never could quite make it.

For St. A's, winners were VENETTA SNYDER (277) and RICH SNYDER (348). Richie is Venetta's son and he went out in a bang for the 1984-85 season. Loyola could cheer when BRENDA HAMEL, wife of jewelry expert RON HAMEL, took SHARON WRIGHT over the hurdles, 278-255. In the captains' combat, EDDIE ANDERSON stopped VI MASSOIA of St. A's, 326-301.

And finally, Catholic University (9th place-18½ wins), the team that looks so terrific on paper, defeated perennial second division team Holy Cross (10th place-15 wins), three wins to one. HC was missing two rollers that only added to their many woes.

The two rollers HC did have won: MAYBETH "Miss Consistent" COUGHLIN (275) and 'Joltin' JOE CALABRAISE (307). Former Agawam High basketball bruiser RAY BARBIERI had a 303, the only CU roller who managed to break into the 300-plus club.

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Rosati Remains Threat At Riverside Track

John Rosati of Agawam is a talented and versatile driver, who continues to develop his skills of driving in the Nascar Winston Series at Riverside.

For the 1985 season, Rosati is associated with one of the more promising teams in competition at the park: The Ron Young team of Southwick Motor Sales has all the ingredients of being a championship contender.

During the winter, the team associated themselves with one of the most respected fabricators and mechanics in short track racing, Barry Khunnel, the main man in the Bob Polverari team. With talents like the driving ability of Rosati teamed with Barry and Young, they are the team to beat.

Young is somewhat new in the Modified program, but has already shown that he is here to stay. Young got involved in racing in 1983 with his cousin, Buck Ackley. During his Modified Rookie Season, Ackley showed great improvement. At the end of that season Ron purchased a new troyer Cavalier. The sleek, well-prepared machine was driven to top finishes by the talented Rosati.

"I have always been impressed with John's smooth driving style," said Ron. "So, we planned a new team for last season. The new operation consisted of another car, the former Hoffman Number 7. Young hired Fred Felton to wrench the operation. The team had some success. Its biggest accomplishments came in the fall as Rosati won the "September Series" at Riverside.

During the winter, Barry Khunnel completely revamped the racing operation with one goal in mind — a championship at Riverside and several feature event wins at Stafford and Thompson.

Rosati has already started to prove that the team will be a hot item in 1985. Rosati has had some success at Stafford, Thompson, and Riverside.

The white and blue number 71 is an asset to any race program and is a credit to Young and Khunnel. The team has set its goals and it appears that those goals will be an easy challenge for the talents of the popular Rosati.

Rosati will be a regular at Riverside and will be on hand for the running of the Teddy Bear Pools 100 on Saturday, May 18th, at Riverside. The 100-lap event will be family priced at just \$5.95 for adults and 95 cents for children eight years of age and under.

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CHIBA - FROM PAGE 32...

It was fun up to a point. Then it became work and then it became agony. My wrist and left shoulder hurt from fighting the fish. Rex called it "Shad Shoulder" and admits to suffering the same pain. He had fished on previous occasions with a friend from Vermont and caught 48 fish one day and 38 the next. That is a lot of agony.

We watched the cars trying to take boats out of the water, bury into the sand. A young fellow was handy with a Bronco and pulled them up on hard ground for \$5 a car. He made himself some serious dollars that afternoon. The closest hard ramp is down in Chicopee and it is a long trip up to the dam in Holyoke. So, a four-wheeler makes it convenient and you are fishing immediately after launching.

LITTLE LEAGUE - FROM PAGE 32...

Deserving praise for the Yankees were Mike Sibilia with a perfect game 3-3 and a walk; 10 year-old Andy Turcotte, batting in the number two position with two walks, a single, and scoring two runs; and sharing the mound with Jason Chechile was Derek Casinhino, who clinched the game in the final three innings by striking out four, walking, and giving up only one run.

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Riverside Has Another 100-Lapper May 18th

Riverside Park Speedway will present another Nascar Special event of 100 laps for the Modifieds at the Park on Saturday, May 18th. This will be the third major event of the season, and will be featured with the Street Stock division.

In addition to this, the event will be sponsored by Riverside's newest sponsor, Teddy Bear Pools, 41 East Street, Chicopee.

The special 100-lap Nascar Modified program is family priced at the low admission price of just \$5.95 for adults and 95 cents for children, 8 and under.

The atmosphere for the event will start to develop early in the afternoon for the Teddy Bear Pools 100. For the first time this season, Riverside, in association with Teddy Bear Pools, will display one of the three competing cars that are sponsored by Teddy Bear Pools. In a special designated area in front of the stadium gates, Teddy Bear Pools will display a brand new Pro Stock. The Pro Stock is a sleek, exotic Firebird Trans Am, that will be driven by Ted Hebert in competition at the park.

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The Street Stocks will also be a major part of the program, as feature winners Brian Crunden, Dan Delena, Gary Fiormonti and the rest of the impressive field will start to show their talents again at the ¼-mile track. Teddy Bear Pools will also be well represented in both divisions with their featured cars and drivers. Jack Lecuyer will be on hand to conquer the Modifieds, as Gary Fiormonti looks for a win in the Street.

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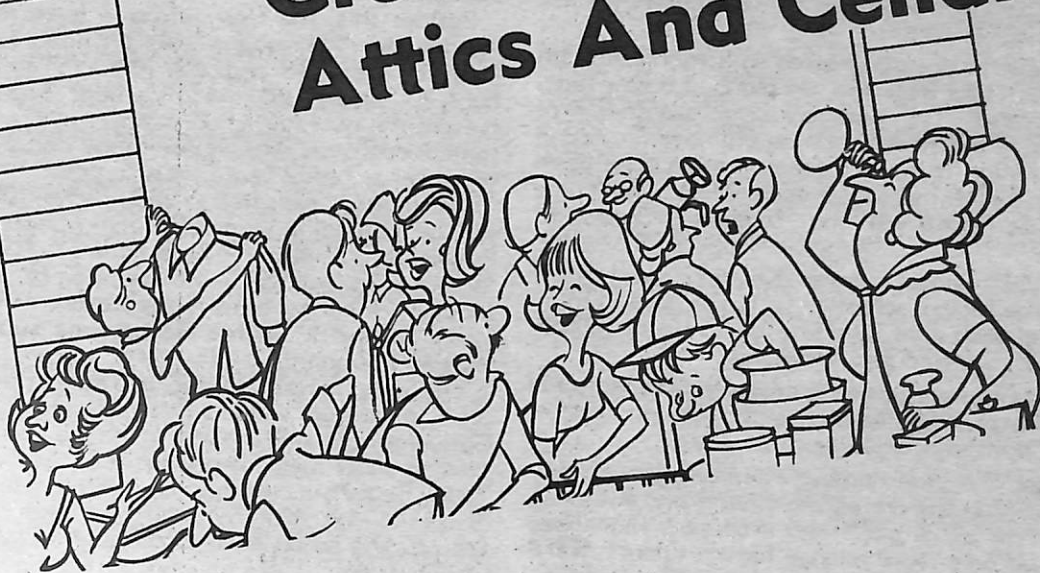


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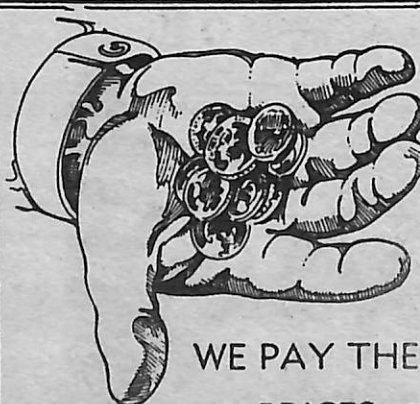
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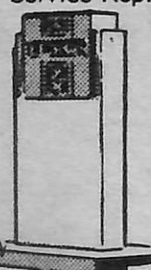
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